



****MEDIA ADVISORY****

**VOLUNTEERS FROM HANDSON NORTH TEXAS AND UBS
'GET HANDSON' AT COMMUNITY LEARNING COMPLEX
*HandsOn Schools will revive facility***

WHAT: Volunteers will unite to make improvements to revitalize the Community Learning Complex for Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD on Oct. 3 as part of *HandsOn Schools*, an innovative national program that aims to reestablish schools as the focal points of communities. This project will be an exciting opportunity for volunteers to partner together and demonstrate that communities **can** bring about positive change in their learning environments.

Approximately 25 UBS employees will work alongside students, community members and HandsOn North Texas representatives to enhance the school facility. Volunteers will paint the childcare area and complete outdoor landscaping, among other projects. It is the hope of employees from UBS and HandsOn North Texas that this project will serve as a reminder of the endless possibilities created by the power of working together for community renewal. This is one of 19 HandsOn Schools projects across the nation for which UBS employees will be volunteering during the month of October.

WHO: UBS volunteers
HandsOn North Texas staff & volunteers
Local residents

WHEN: **Saturday, Oct. 3**, from approximately 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

WHERE: 1820 Pearl Street, Carrollton, TX

CONTACT: Ashley E. Hyder, Volunteer Center of North Texas
Manager, Public Relations & Communications
(832) 264-0184 – cell
ahyder@vcnt.org

About HandsOn Schools

Founded on the belief that communities **can** make a positive change, HandsOn Schools applies an innovative approach to school revitalization. By uniting the collective resources of parents, communities and corporations, HandsOn Schools aims to re-establish schools as the focal point of the community. Research indicates that schools with broad-based community involvement provide more dynamic learning experiences, resulting in higher student achievement. HandsOn Schools seeks to cultivate community, school and civic collaboration to transform schools into dynamic learning centers that foster student achievement and community engagement.

About HandsOn North Texas

The Volunteer Center's Hands On North Texas (HONT) program, an affiliate of the HandsOn Network, connects volunteers with service opportunities that make a meaningful, rewarding change in the North Texas area. HONT meets the needs of today's volunteers by offering one-time projects to students, professionals, busy moms, and anyone else looking to get their feet wet in volunteering.

The Volunteer Center of North Texas (VCNT), founded in 1971, is one of the largest and most active volunteer centers in the country. A primary purpose of VCNT is to recruit volunteers, including individuals, corporations and civic and faith-based groups, to serve nonprofits and their clients throughout the North Texas area. For more information, visit www.vcnt.org.

About HandsOn Network

HandsOn Network, the volunteer-focused arm of Points of Light Institute, is the largest volunteer network in the nation and includes more than 250 HandsOn Action Centers that reach more than 83% of the nation's population and extend to ten countries. HandsOn includes a powerful network of more than 70,000 corporate, faith and nonprofit organizations that are answering the call to serve and creating scaled impact. In 2008, the network delivered approximately 30 million hours of volunteer service valued at \$615 million. For more information, visit <http://www.handsonnetwork.org>.

About UBS

Headquartered in Zurich and Basel, Switzerland, UBS is a global firm providing services to private, corporate and institutional clients. Its strategy is to focus on international wealth management and the Swiss banking business alongside its global expertise in investment banking and asset management. In Switzerland, UBS is the market leader in retail and commercial banking.

UBS is present in all major financial centers worldwide. It has offices in over 50 countries, with about 38% of its employees working in the Americas, 34% in Switzerland, 15% in the rest of Europe and 13% in Asia Pacific. UBS employs more than 70,000 people around the world. Its shares are listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange, the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE).