

## **Southern California's Helping Hands (SCHH) Second Annual Food Drive Helps Whittier Community Families**



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WHITTIER, Calif., November 15, 2005 – Southern California's Helping Hands (SCHH) announces its Second Annual Food Drive, sponsored by Credit Union of Southern California (CU SoCal), assisted over 400 families in the Whittier area.

Two truckloads of food were brought to the CU SoCal Whittier branch on Saturday, October 8, and distributed throughout the day with the help of over 100 volunteers. Over 1900 people were given lunch while they waited for groceries. For the children waiting with their parents, there were games, face painting, and balloons.

Judy Colburn, CU SoCal employee and Chairwoman of SCHH, organized the all day event. "The food drive would not have happened without the many volunteers from CU SoCal and the community, who generously gave their time and financial support to this worthwhile cause. A simple thank you cannot describe the gratitude I feel. The volunteers were amazing."

"Participating in an event like the food drive is rewarding on so many levels. It makes me proud to say that many employees of CU SoCal know first hand just how rewarding it is," said CU SoCal President/CEO Dave Gunderson.

### **About Southern California's Helping Hands (SCHH)**

Founded in 1997 by CU SoCal employees, SCHH's vision is to provide Southern California's poor and needy families with the basic necessities of life, treating them with dignity and respect. Our program provides food, clothing, and financial assistance to families in need, and supports other charitable organizations in Southern California. For more information, visit [www.socalhelpinghands.org](http://www.socalhelpinghands.org), or call (714) 671-2711.

### **About Credit Union of Southern California (CU SoCal)**

Founded in 1954 as Whittier Area Schools Federal Credit Union, CU SoCal is dedicated to providing Members with world-class service, competitive products, and convenience. With over \$400 million in assets, 40,000 members, and six branch locations, CU SoCal is dedicated to the credit union motto of "people helping people." Our products and services are highly competitive with banks and other financial providers. Visit [www.cusocal.org](http://www.cusocal.org) or call (866) CU SoCal, (866) 287-6225 for further information. Membership is open to those who live, work, or worship in Northwest Orange County, San Gabriel Valley, and the cities in-between.

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