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PANDA EXPRESS HELPS EASE LOCAL BUDGET CRISIS

Panda Express launches Fundraising Program for Schools and Community Groups

ROSEMEAD, CA (March 23, 2009) - Panda Express launches a Community Fundraising program in support of schools and local organizations effected by the budget crisis. Organizations in need of fundraising opportunities are encouraged to contact their local Panda Express restaurant to sign up for a fundraising event where 20 percent of sales during the event will be donated back to the organization. Over \$350,000 is expected to be raised during the 12-week program.

“Schools and community organizations face tremendous challenges today,” said Tom Davin, President and CEO of Panda Restaurant Group, Inc., the parent company for Panda Express. “We’re taking action to support the teachers, children and parents of our communities.”

From now until mid June 2009, all 1250 Panda Express, Hibachi-San and Panda Inn locations across the United States will participate in this program.

About Panda Restaurant Group

With more than 1,250 locations in 36 states, the privately-held Panda Restaurant Group (www.pandarg.com) is the world’s leader in Asian restaurants. The successful chain of concepts includes Panda Express, Panda Inn and Hibachi-San. Panda Express is best known for its wide variety of original recipes including their famous Orange Chicken.

How to Organize a Panda Express Fundraising Event:

Schools and community organizations may book a fundraising event by contacting their local Panda Express Restaurant or going to www.pandaexpress.com to get started. The organization will invite all their guests to attend and purchase meals during the scheduled time. 20 percent of the sales from the event will be donated back to the organization. It’s that simple!

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