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**Wine and Food under the Stars event raises \$40,000 for Community Causes**

**San Bernardino, CA** – *October 14, 2009*– The National Orange Show Foundation was pleased to announce today the tremendous success of its 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Wine and Food under the Stars, which took place Thursday, October 8, 2009 at the National Orange Show Events Center in San Bernardino.

With over 600 attendees and over 25 participating restaurants and companies, the charity fundraiser raised more than \$40,000 which will be donated to various community causes in the Inland Empire region.

In addition to supporting its own community causes, the National Orange Show Foundation offered 6 local charities the opportunity to raise funds by earning a portion of ticket sales. This was the first year other local charities have participated in the event.

“We were able to help more organizations than ever this year, and we will strive for even more next year,” commented Derrick Vasquez, Director of Catering and Special Events at the National Orange Show Events Center. “We are so grateful to all of the wineries, restaurants, sponsors, and guests for their generous contributions that made this event possible.”

The evening charity event, staged outside under a canopy of lights and fall-colored paper lanterns, featured samples from local restaurants and wineries, the gold-medal winning wines from the Pacific Rim Wine Competition, and live music from the Jazz Junkies. The event also features a “People Choice” Award, in which attendees cast a vote for their favorite restaurant in attendance. Lucy’s Mexican Restaurant of San Bernardino was the winner of this award.

### **About the National Orange Show Foundation**

As the giving arm of the National Orange Show, the National Orange Show Foundation has a long tradition of community partnership. The National Orange Show Foundation proudly provides funds for education programs, services and programs that benefit at-risk children and their families, services and programs that improve quality of life, student scholarships, community enrichment, and literacy.

### **About the National Orange Show Events Center**

The National Orange Show Events Center is the Inland Empire's premier source of entertainment and all-inclusive event solutions. With the historic tradition of the annual citrus fair at the heart of the organization since 1911, the National Orange Show Events Center is at the forefront of the events industry while working to maintain strong community connections. For more information, visit [www.nosevents.com](http://www.nosevents.com).

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