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SmartRiverside Receives Charitable Software Donation From Microsoft

SmartRiverside, a nonprofit that focuses on education and expanding technology use in the City of Riverside announced today it has been awarded a charitable software donation from Microsoft, Corp. worth \$366,548.00 to expand its Digital Inclusion program. The donation includes Windows 7, Microsoft Office 2007, and SharePoint Server 2007 which will be used on SmartRiverside's PCs and servers to help support the delivery of SmartRiverside's community services.

“Microsoft has a long-term commitment to providing technology access and skills to people of all ages and abilities so they can learn about computers, use the internet, explore new careers, further their education, participate in community activities, and develop job-related technology skills,” commented Akhtar Badshah, senior director of Community Affairs at Microsoft. “Our support for SmartRiverside is a great example of how we partner with organizations to bring the benefits of technology and technology skills to local communities.”

Microsoft Unlimited Potential, which was launched in 2003, is a long-term commitment to building basic information technology (IT) skills capacity in communities around the world. Through Unlimited Potential, Microsoft has partnered with nongovernmental organizations of all sizes to support more than 50,000 computer technology centers in more than 100 countries. Projects range from a single computer in a rural community to fully equipped training facilities in urban centers. All these efforts share a common goal: to give people greater social and economic opportunity through technology access and skills.

For more information about Microsoft and its investments in communities around the world, please visit www.microsoft.com/unlimitedpotential.

“We wish to thank Microsoft, its partners and employees for this most generous donation,” said Steve Reneker, executive director, SmartRiverside and CIO, City of Riverside. “We have served over 3,800 low-income families in the City of Riverside and with the help of companies like Microsoft that number is sure to increase exponentially.”