



## Press Release

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## **Caroma's Donation to Help Foster Children**

*Supporting abused children at Olive Crest while protecting the environment*

**HILLSBORO, OREGON - July 22, 2008** – Caroma, the leader in dual flush toilets and stylish bathroom sinks, is pleased to donate sinks and high efficiency toilets to Olive Crest, one of the West Coast's premier children's charities. The 35 year old charity promotes the safety and wellness of children and families through innovative programs, including specialized education, foster and adoption, family preservation, and residential homes.

HomeAid Inland Empire, the charitable arm of the Building Industry Association (BIA), is dedicated to helping those in need by building new facilities or expanding existing ones operated by non-profit agencies, such as Olive Crest. The Executive Director of HomeAid, Nycole Rochford, introduced Caroma to the Olive Crest project in early 2008: "Caroma is a leader in water-conserving toilets, and we were extremely pleased to make the introduction. We are very impressed not only with their willingness to donate toilets and sinks to the project but also their desire to give back to a community in need. Their enthusiasm to just jump in and do whatever it takes to get the job done makes Caroma a true hero in our book."

Olive Crest and HomeAid are coordinating the building of four 3,000 square foot new homes, adding 24 new beds for youth who have been abused, abandoned, or neglected. "We are grateful to Caroma for their generous donation of sinks and toilets for Olive Crest's Coachella Valley Children's Center," states Tesha Vann, Associate Development Director for Olive Crest – Coachella Valley. "Not only are they helping at-risk youth, but they are helping us conserve the environment with their high efficiency toilets. We all benefit!"

According to Derek Kirkpatrick, Caroma North America Manager, "We are extremely proud to be donating sinks and toilets to help the community of Coachella, the Olive Crest project, and especially abused children. Caroma has been promoting water conservation with high efficiency toilets and urinals for more than 20 years, and now to help children while continually helping the environment is an added bonus."

### **About Caroma**

Since 1941, Caroma has been a world leader in quality and innovation of bathroom products, continually providing reliable, high efficiency toilet suites and sinks. With 36 WaterSense-approved toilets – more than any company in the industry - and complimentary, stylish sinks, Caroma offers award-winning products that help preserve the world's most valuable resource - water. Combining quality, water-conserving products with superior customer service, Caroma has been chosen by businesses and households worldwide for exceptional performance and stylish design. The company can be contacted by phone at 1 800 605 4218, via email at [info@caromausa.com](mailto:info@caromausa.com), or on the Web at [www.caromausa.com](http://www.caromausa.com).

### **About Olive Crest**

Since 1973, Olive Crest Homes & Services for Abused Children has been a leader in providing care for abused, abandoned and severely neglected children. Olive Crest is dedicated to Preventing child abuse, to Treating and Educating at-risk children and to Preserving the family...  
“One Life at a Time.”<sup>®</sup>

Olive Crest continues to promote the safety and wellness of children and families through innovative programs including specialized education, foster and adoption, family preservation, and residential homes. Olive Crest's outreach serves California, Nevada, and the Pacific Northwest. For information call 1-800-550-CHILD (2445) or visit [www.olivecrest.org](http://www.olivecrest.org).

### **About HomeAid Inland Empire**

At HomeAid Inland Empire, we believe that all men, women and children in the Inland Empire deserve to have a room over their heads, even when unforeseen circumstances lead to situations in which these individuals find themselves in transition. We are dedicated to helping those in need by building new facilities or expanding existing ones operated by local non-profit agencies with a proven track record of assisting the transitionally homeless.

As the charitable arm of the Building Industry Association, HomeAid and its projects are made possible through the immeasurable support of local homebuilders, their trade partners, and other volunteers and contributors. HomeAid Inland Empire is generously supported by the BIA Riverside Country Chapter, the BIA Baldy View Chapter, and the BIA Desert Chapter.

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