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Kidango Celebrates 30th Anniversary & Invites Community to Celebrate

March 17, 2009 (Fremont, CA)- Kidango, a local child development agency, announced today that it has served Bay Area communities for 30 years! In 1979, Kidango open its first child development center in Fremont, serving just 90 children and their families. After 30 years, the agency has grown to serve 8 Bay Area Cities and 2,500 children annually.

Throughout the remainder of the calendar year, Kidango will host several community events to celebrate its accomplishments in early education, health and human services and early intervention. The kick-off celebration will take place at Kidango's 14th annual food and wine tasting event, Taster's Showcase.

Taster's Showcase is on Sunday, April 19th at the Marriott Fremont, located at 46100 Landing Parkway, just off highway 880. (Please note that this is a new location this year). Doors will open at 1:00 p.m. and the fun will continue until 4:00 p.m.

At Taster's Showcase you will spend the afternoon enjoying food from some of the best local restaurants and caterers, sipping fine wines and other beverages and enjoying the fun of a live auction, silent auction and a drawing.

The proceeds from this event will benefit Kidango's vital programs that provide over 2,500 children with the strong foundation they need to succeed in life. Last year, Taster's Showcase raised the event's highest gross total of \$89,324 as 350 people came to support the vital work we do for the communities we serve.

This year, you too can support Kidango's work by purchasing event tickets, making an in-kind donation for the auctions/drawing or being an event sponsor. Tickets are \$35 in advance or \$45 at the door.

Advance tickets can be purchased by calling 510-897-6912 or in person or by mail at:
Kidango Administrative Office
Attn: Taster's Showcase Tickets
44000 Old Warm Springs Blvd.
Fremont, CA 94538

We hope you will join us in celebrating our 30th Anniversary!

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About Kidango

Kidango began as Tri-Cities Children's Centers in 1979. At inception there were only 90 children and families being served at one center in Fremont. Today more than 2,500 children and their families benefit from the Kidango programs in Alameda, Santa Clara, and San Francisco Counties. As a leader in early education, early intervention, mental health, family child care home education, and before and after school services, this public benefit organization has a long history of working closely with the California Department of Education Child Development Division, Regional Centers and Head Start programs to provide quality services for children ages 0-12. For further information about the agency contact Kidango at 1-800-262-4252 or visit us on the web at www.kidango.org.