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AIDS SERVICES FOUNDATION HOLIDAY PARTY RAISES \$ 45,000 *More than 325 people attend event to support services for people with HIV/AIDS*

IRVINE, CA – With entertainment by country legend **Ty Herndon** and the Orange County band **Tijuana Dogs**, AIDS Services Foundation’s annual holiday fundraiser – **Bells, Bows and Balls** – held on **Wednesday, December 3rd** at **The Shark Club** in Costa Mesa was this holiday’s season’s place to be. More than \$45,000 in net proceeds was raised by the event for direct client services and HIV prevention efforts in Orange County. A crowd of more than 325 guests feasted on sumptuous food, enjoyed live entertainment and generated a bidding frenzy on the most exclusive silent auction of the season. The bidding frenzy continued to the live auction, which included a Mexican cruise aboard the *Norwegian Star* and a 3-night getaway in New York City.

“We could not be more thrilled by the generous and enthusiastic crowd who gathered for this year’s ASF holiday fundraiser,” said Patrick Stanton, ASF Board member and Chair of the event. “This confirmed that the Orange County community believes in the importance of the work and programs provided by AIDS Services Foundation, and that in these challenging economic times, they will get behind this organization to be sure that everyone who is affected by HIV and AIDS can receive proper and effective help and that the education programs for young people can continue and be expanded,” continued Stanton.

High resolution photos are available. Please contact Tom Peterson at 949.230.5648 and at TomPeterson@sbcglobal.net

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Founded in 1985, AIDS Services Foundation is the largest non-profit provider of care and services to people with HIV in Orange County, serving 1,600 clients across Orange County. Services include food, transportation, housing, emergency financial assistance, family support programs, mental health counseling, support groups, and HIV education and prevention services. For more information, please visit: <http://www.ocasf.org>.