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Philanthropic Group Announces Grant Opportunity for Regional Environmental Organizations

Grants Workshop on December 2, 2008

CINCINNATI, OH. – November 10, 2008 – Social Venture Partners (SVP) Cincinnati, a local venture philanthropy group, announces its second \$25,000 grant opportunity for regional environmental organizations providing educational programs for youth.

SVP will host a workshop for interested nonprofits at 9 am on December 2nd at InterAct for Change, 3805 Edwards Road, Suite 500, in Norwood. Staff and board members of nonprofits interested in attending the workshop or learning more are asked to RSVP at info@svpcincinnati.org.

An SVP Award is Much More Than Money

Based on the venture capital model, SVP seeks nonprofit organizations which are poised to grow to the next level. By partnering with SVP, the nonprofit organization (“investee”) receives more than money. Through the partners’ involvement, SVP brings a vast range of high-level knowledge and skills in areas including financial management, board development, strategic planning, and legal, marketing, and technology expertise, to name a few. Unlike most funding agencies, SVP is committed to the essential hands-on work of building capacity and infrastructure over a 3-5 year period. The value of this capacity-building support by SVP partners often greatly exceeds the dollar value of the initial \$25,000 grant. Additional grants are awarded each year of the engagement, based on successful achievement of mutually agreed-upon outcomes.

About SVP

Social Venture Partners (SVP) is a network of accomplished individuals who combine the power of business with the passion of philanthropy. SVP partners are committed to improving our community by investing financial resources and professional and personal expertise in local nonprofits to help these organizations build their capacity and thus maximize their impact. SVP Cincinnati welcomes new partners to join at any time. More information about SVP and a calendar of events are located on the SVP website at www.svpcincinnati.org.

SVP Cincinnati is one of 26 cities affiliated with SVP International, based in Seattle. SVP's overarching goals are to find solutions to some of society's most intractable problems and to create a better community and world. SVP Cincinnati operates as a program of InterAct for Change and covers a 20-county area in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

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