

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For more information please contact:

Ashley Brockett | 713.529.1396, ext 213 | ashley.brockette@childadvocates.org
or Kelly Goff | 713.529-1396 ext 214 | kelly.goff@childadvocates.org

**Re: 2013 Pull for Kids Classic
Wednesday, May 15, 2013
Houston, Texas**

Child Advocates, Inc.'s 21st annual Pull for Kids Classic honoring Cameron was held on May 11, 2013 and raised over \$770,000.

Chaired by Becky and David Davis, the event kicked off in the morning at the American Shooting Centers for a Sporting Clays Tournament sponsored by Silver Eagle Distributors. Over 300 shooters came out to the "pull" for abused and neglected children of Harris County.

The event concluded at the Bayou City Event Center where 750 guests walked a live red carpet and spent an 'Evening Amongst the Stars' in an old-Hollywood style theme. Guests enjoyed Live, Big Board and Silent Auctions. Items included trips to Hawaii and Cabo; autographed footballs from J.J. Watt, Johnny Manziel and the Mannings; a cocktail dress from Robert Rodriguez and Tootsies; and a shopping spree from Dryden Kreps, along with hundreds of other items.

Nicole Reed, a former child served by Child Advocates, and her court appointed advocate, Shiloh Carter, were a crowd favorite. Shiloh spoke of her time with Nicole as her advocate and how Nicole overcame so many odds as a young child who was sexually abused for 9 years. Nicole, who is now thriving and happily adopted, received a standing ovation as she took to the podium. Child Advocates received over \$110,000 – a Pull for Kids record – from the Sponsor a Child appeal from the evening.

The 2013 Pull for Kids Classic was a great success. Event chairs, Becky & David Davis had support from an entire team including committee chairs, Bernadette Alvarez, Sheryl & Joel Androphy, Jeff Birmingham, Rick Burnett, Stacey & Ron Chovanec, Eddy De Los Santos, Cherie Hassenflu and Dolly Dawson Thomas.

Child Advocates, Inc. mobilizes court appointed volunteers to break the vicious cycle of child abuse. We speak up for abused children who are lost in the system and guide them into safe environments where they can thrive.

Our court appointed volunteers are at the heart of Child Advocates' mission and are shining examples of ordinary individuals making an extraordinary impact in the lives of abused and neglected children of Harris County. Our 30-hour training course is offered several

times each year and prepares our volunteers for this incredible experience. All potential volunteers are required to go through this training, along with interviews and thorough background checks including, Local Criminal, National Criminal, CPS and National Sex Offender checks.

###