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**Re: Friends of Child Advocates announces the
2014 Angels of Hope Luncheon and Fashion Presentation**

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On Tuesday, December 9, Friends of Child Advocates hosted their annual Angels of Hope Luncheon and Fashion Presentation. This exciting holiday event, which is one of Child Advocates Inc.'s biggest fundraisers, included over 600 attendees and was held at a new venue, the Hilton Americas in downtown Houston.

The Luncheon included an award presented to this year's honorees, a fashion presentation, a luncheon and a raffle that alone raised over \$46,000. The highlight of the event was the Nieman Marcus fashion presentation, featuring Carolina Herrera's Spring 2015 collection. Guests were even able to purchase their favorite pieces from the pop-up shop in the lobby.

The afternoon was led by the Luncheon Chairs Stephanie Cockrell and Caroline Finkelstein, and Emceed by Gina Gaston. The honorees of this year's event were Carl Stutts and Tessa Lesley, longtime supporters of Child Advocates. The honorees were surprised by a visit from a child Carl helped many years ago. The little boy gave the invocation and his foster mother told his story highlighting the important role Carl and Child Advocates played in helping him find a permanent home.

In years past, the Angels of Hope Luncheon has been instrumental in promoting community awareness of the organization's efforts. The money raised from this event helps Child Advocates continue their thirty yearlong mission to help abused and neglected children in Harris County through the training and dedication of court appointed advocates.

Overall, the 2014 Angels of Hope Luncheon and Fashion Presentation raised over \$435,000. Child Advocates hopes to make future luncheons just as huge of a success with the help of the community and the dedication of participants.