AvidXchange Volunteers Make a Local Playground Safe for Children Again

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AvidXchange Volunteers at the Circle School in Statesville, NC to Create a Safe Playground for Students

Charlotte, NC (April 3, 2012) – Volunteers from the Avid *Foundation,* Avid Xchange, Inc.'s outreach program, headed to the Circle School in Statesville, NC to deliver a much needed donation. The volunteers provided mulch, time, and some labor of love for the school's playground so that it would be safe for the children to play on throughout the spring and summer. Thanks to the volunteers the 47 children that attend The Circle School in Statesville, NC will be able to enjoy their hour of recess safely again on their beloved playground.

"We (Teachers and Management) were so excited to see the mulch arrive! The playground has been in desperate need of new mulch, so that it will be soft enough for the children to play on in case of a fall. Thanks to the volunteers from AvidXchange our students will have a safe playground for the entire season," remarked Mary Montgomery, Program Coordinator, of the Circle School.

LIFESPAN Circle Schools are inclusive programs that support children with developmental delays and typical children from six weeks of age through age six. Their mission is to provide exceptional education and care for all children with experienced teachers in a safe environment where they receive the attention they need with low child-to-teacher ratios. "While our job is to prepare our students academically for kindergarten, we also pride ourselves on preparing our students socially for life," stated Mary Montgomery. The school receives a lot of support from the community, but is always appreciative of donations and volunteers.

AvidXchange formed the AvidFoundation to make a difference in the lives of children. The AvidXchange Foundation was active in adopting elementary schools in Houston, TX after Katrina and providing school supplies and other essential items to students impacted by Katrina. The Foundation was also active in adopting kids in Haiti and providing them with a continuous supply of food and a safe shelter to bring them comfort and stability after their lives were devastated by the earthquake. The Foundation is now bringing their focus closer to home, and

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has several projects lined up for the months ahead that will directly benefit children in Charlotte and surrounding areas.

"As we continue our growth as a company, we believe that it is important that we support the communities where AvidXchange employees call home. AvidXchange is a young, growing company and therefore we thought it would be a good match for our employee base and culture to support programs that enrich children's lives and help them to become successful adults. As such, we formed the AvidFoundation, which is our community service and financial support vehicle focused on helping kids in need," commented Michael Praeger, AvidXchange's Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder.

About LIFESPAN

LIFESPAN is an organization recognized as a leader in the areas of education, employment, and enrichment for over 1,200 children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in 11 locations across North Carolina. LIFESPAN has three Circle Schools that cater to children located in Statesville, Burlington, and Mount Airy. The organization also has other programs and services that cater to adults, such as Vocational Therapy, Developmental Therapy, and Adult Day Care. If you would like to learn more about LIFESPAN and how you can volunteer, contact them at 704-944-5112/lavery@lifespanservices.org.

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