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PHOTO ATTACHED: Local foster youth walk the runway in last year's United Way Women in Philanthropy Luncheon fashion show.

**FOSTER YOUTH TO SHINE AT UNITED WAY'S 15TH ANNUAL
WOMEN IN PHILANTHROPY LUNCHEON**

Tickets on sale for annual fundraiser to benefit local foster youth

SACRAMENTO – Local residents can help foster youth at United Way's 15th Annual Women in Philanthropy Luncheon from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. on Nov. 9 at Memorial Auditorium, 1515 J Street, Sacramento. The event, sponsored by AT&T, will include a fashion show, gourmet lunch, presentations by local foster youth and an announcement about the future of the group. Tickets are \$75-\$125 and can be purchased at www.yourlocalunitedway.org.

“We have an entertaining and heartfelt program planned for this year including stories from foster youth, successes from the program, a fashion show and a big announcement about Women in Philanthropy's exciting future,” said Stephanie Bray, president and CEO, United Way California Capital Region. “This is an amazing opportunity for local foster youth to sit side by side with some of the region's most powerful women and community members who care deeply about their future.”

United Way's Women in Philanthropy brings local women together to end poverty for local foster youth by helping them become financially prepared for life after foster care. This focus is part of the Square One Project, United Way's 20-year promise to significantly increase the number of local students who graduate from high school ready for success in college and beyond. Through nine decades of work and research across Amador, El Dorado,

Sacramento, Placer and Yolo counties, the local United Way now believes ending poverty starts in school and is working to ensure kids meet important milestones to prepare for success in college. To learn more about United Way's Women in Philanthropy, visit www.yourlocalunitedway.org.