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## An Evening of Laughter with Fritz Coleman Proceeds support Villa Esperanza Services

Pasadena, Calif. – Come join Fritz Coleman at the world famous ICE HOUSE right here in Pasadena. It's a chance to purge your cares with an evening of laughter. Fritz refers to his show as, "A Baby Boomer Support Group". His feeling is...getting old isn't pretty, but, it's funny! Fritz is performing at STAGE 2 at the ICE HOUSE on Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 – 8:30 pm, tickets are \$12.50. You can purchase tickets online at <a href="http://icehousecomedy.com/index.cfm">http://icehousecomedy.com/index.cfm</a> or by phone at 626-577-1894. 100% of Fritz's proceeds from the evening will support Villa Esperanza Services programs!

Fritz Coleman , NBC4 Southern California's weathercaster, is well known for his sense of humor and extensive knowledge of weather. Coleman devotes much of his free time to charitable activities and frequently organizes evenings of entertainment for local service and civic organizations, as well as serving as master of ceremonies for dozens of Southern California community events, including Villa Esperanza. He has won a number of awards and honors for his dedication to community service.

In 2004, he won two Humanitarian of the Year Awards – one from Shelter Partnership and the other from the California Hospital Medical Center. The City of <u>Los Angeles</u> named Coleman a "Treasure of Los Angeles" in 1999, and the United States House of Representatives gave him the Humanitarian of the Year Award for his fundraising efforts on behalf of the American Red Cross. Coleman has also been honored by the Los Angeles Chapter of the Salvation Army for his long-time commitment to the organization and his efforts as Christmas Fundraising Chairman and for chairing the annual Fritz Coleman Fair Weather Golf Tournament.

"We are looking forward to some laughs," shares Kelly White, Villa Esperanza Services CEO. "We are extremely appreciative of all the time Fritz has given to Villa. He's a stand up guy – no pun intended."

Join Villa Esperanza Services and Fritz Coleman – Thursday, April 17.

ABOUT VILLA ESPERANZA SERVICES: Villa Esperanza Services is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the care and education of children, adults and seniors with developmental, intellectual and other disabilities. Villa offers nine programs including a comprehensive education center for children up to the age of 22 years; a Speech and Language Center and Occupational Therapy Clinic providing children, adults and seniors with comprehensive therapies; employment services; day programs for adults; and adult residences in Pasadena and Thousand Oaks. To learn more about Villa's collaborative approach, visit www.VillaEsperanzaServices.org.