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Colorado Youth at Risk, Freedom Service Dogs and Zach's Legacy Foundation; Featured Speaker – Non-Profit Panel, November 11th CBW Luncheon

GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO—October 13, 2009— Representatives from three local non-profit organizations will speak at the November 11th meeting of the DTC Colorado Business Women (CBW). The panel includes Patti Bennet from Colorado Youth at Risk, Sharan Wilson from Freedom Service Dogs and John Carlson from Zac's Legacy Foundation. The meeting will begin at 11:00 am and will be held at the Comedy Works South at the Landmark, 5345 Landmark Place in Greenwood Village.

Are you involved with local non-profit organizations or do you wish you knew more about how you could help? Colorado Youth at Risk, Freedom Service Dogs and Zac's Legacy Foundation will talk about their respective missions and answer questions about how you can help and get involved.

Patti Bennet, Executive Director for Colorado Youth at Risk, will talk about CYAR's mission empower teenage students to make life choices that positively impact their future through community-based mentoring and intensive training. CYAR aims to reduce the number of high school dropouts, match students with an adult mentor and provides students with a sense of the future and their place in that future.

Sharan Wilson, Executive Director for Freedom Service Dogs, will talk about their mission to rescue dogs from animal shelters and train them to assist people with disabilities, thus increasing their independence and peace of mind. Over the years, FSD has rescued hundreds of dogs and has placed over 140 client/service dog teams.

John Carlson, co-founder and Zac's Dad with Zac's Legacy Foundation, will talk about how Zac's legacy helps them provide assistance to families enduring the struggles of childhood cancer. During the long stays in the hospitals with Zac, his parents discovered there was a tremendous need for financial assistance for the other families experiencing childhood cancer. They wanted to keep this memory of Love, Care and Sharing, and in this way Zac continues to touch hearts through the Gift of Giving to those in need and this has been the basis of Zac's Legacy Foundation.

To make a reservation for the November 11th DTC CBW luncheon and program, visit www.dtcbpw.org Cost is \$18 for members and \$25 for guests.