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**Baubles, Bangles & Bags Fashion and Shopping
Event July 22 Will Benefit Working Wardrobes**

Donated men's and women's business accessories will assist transitioning professionals

SOUTH COAST METRO, Calif., July 8, 2010 – Dressing for success is a critical step for adults emerging from a life crisis who are eager to get back into the workplace.

Knowing how important having suitable business attire is for these transitioning professionals, the Building Owners and Managers Association of Orange County (BOMA), the Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce and the South Coast Metro Alliance are sponsoring a unique fashion and shopping charitable event called Baubles, Bangles & Bags.

The event is set for Thursday, July 22 from 4 until 7 pm at the Working Wardrobes Career Center, 3030 Pullman Street, Costa Mesa, California.

There is no admission charge, but guests are encouraged to donate costume jewelry, scarves, belts, purses and other accessories for men, such as ties and cufflinks. Clothing and accessories will be available for purchase from Working Wardrobes' Hanger resale 'mobile' boutique with the assistance of the volunteer members of the shop's Fashion Board. Beverages and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Guests are invited to bring and share a favorite bottle of wine.

Additionally, South Coast Winery will be pouring one of the winery's most popular summertime favorites, its Wild Women of Wine Country Cabernet Rosé.

“The Wild Women of Wine Country organization is a ‘sisterhood’ that is as passionate about having fun as it is about making a difference in the lives of women and children. Supporting Working Wardrobes is just one more way we can help better the community,” said Crystal Magon, director of sales & marketing at South Coast Winery Resort & Spa.

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Speaking on behalf of BOMA, Chris Bailey, regional vice president of Universal Protection Service said, "BOMA Orange County is very pleased to be partnering with South Coast Metro Alliance and Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce to help support the amazing work being done each day by Orange County's Working Wardrobes. In these difficult times, we couldn't be happier to be helping those less fortunate to get back on their feet and back into the work force."

"The Costa Mesa Chamber is pleased to join with BOMA and South Coast Metro Alliance to raise awareness of and support for Working Wardrobes," said Ed Fawcett, president and CEO of the Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce.

"Whenever someone helps a member of our community it benefits all of us. Fundraising events further Working Wardrobes' mission to empower men, women and young adults in life crises to confidently enter the workforce," said Lynnmarie Cooper, a Working Wardrobes event coordinator.

"During these challenging economic times, it's important for business organizations to support worthy causes that help people regain their self-confidence as they seek employment," said Diane Pritchett, executive director of the South Coast Metro Alliance.

To RSVP for the event, contact Diane at alliance@southcoastmetro.com or call 714.435.2109.

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