DaVita Way of Giving: DaVita Clinics Give \$63,500 to Florida Charities

Clinic teammates, not company leaders, chose nonprofits for donations

DENVER--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Apr. 3, 2012-- <u>DaVita Inc.</u> (NYSE: DVA), a leading provider of kidney care services that is committed to improving the quality of life for those diagnosed with chronic kidney disease (CKD), today announced that its Florida dialysis clinics had generated \$63,500 in charitable contributions in the state through the "DaVita Way of Giving."

As part of DaVita's larger national charitable giving efforts, teammates (employees) at each DaVita® clinic were invited to request contributions for the 501(c)(3) charity of their choice. Clinics were also allowed to team up on behalf of a single charity to request larger contributions. More than 400 charities received contributions ranging from \$1,000 to over \$40,000.

Florida charities received \$63,500 - one of the highest totals of any state in the nation.

"The DaVita Way of Giving has empowered our Florida teammates in a way that not many companies have done," said Mark Taylor, division vice president at DaVita. "Encouraging teammates to give to local organizations that matter the most to them really fosters a caring environment, exactly what we aim to bring to the dialysis clinics we operate every day."

Florida nonprofits receiving contributions include Catholic Charities, Humane Society of Broward County, Second Harvest Food Bank, Hope Reins, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Florida, and more.

"We are so grateful for this gift from DaVita to our 'Share-A-Night' Annual Giving Campaign," said Laura Heidrich, Development Director at Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Florida. "DaVita's generosity will help the Ronald McDonald House® program continue to provide comfort, care and a 'home-away-from-home' to families with children in medical crisis in Central Florida."

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About DaVita

DaVita Inc., a Fortune 500® company, is a leading provider of kidney care in the United States, delivering dialysis services to patients with chronic kidney failure and end stage renal disease. DaVitastrives to improve patients' quality of life by innovating clinical care, and by offering integrated treatment plans, personalized care teams and convenient health-management services. As of Dec. 31, 2011, DaVita operated or provided administrative services at 1,809 dialysis facilities in the United States, serving approximately 142,000 patients. The company also operated 11 outpatient dialysis centers located in three countries outside the United States. DaVita supports numerous programs dedicated to creating positive, sustainable change in communities around the world. The company's leadership development initiatives and social responsibility efforts have been recognized by Fortune, Modern Healthcare, Newsweek and WorldBlu. For more information, please visit http://www.davita.com.

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