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**KOMEN ATLANTA INVESTS \$2.2 MILLION
IN FIGHT AGAINST BREAST CANCER**

ATLANTA, GA (April 1, 2011) – Today, Susan G. Komen for the Cure Greater Atlanta Affiliate begins its fiscal year by granting \$2.2 million to 21 community breast health programs that will target Atlanta’s underserved communities. Komen Atlanta will also provide \$600,000 to support national research efforts to finding a cure.

Grantee organizations were chosen based on the anticipated amount of impact on the Atlanta community in areas of breast health screening, diagnostics, education, navigation and support.

“Even though the economy is improving, there are still people who are out of work and without insurance” said Executive Director Kelly Dolan. “Komen Atlanta is determined to fill that void and ensure that all women have access to life saving screening and the chance to combat breast cancer and survive this disease.”

The following organizations will receive funding from Komen Atlanta during its 2011-2012 grant cycle: Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc., Center for Black Women’s Wellness, Inc., Clayton County Board of Health, Cobb Public Health, DeKalb Medical Center, District Four Health Services, East Metro Health District, Emory University, Family Health Enterprise, Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness, Lighthouse Lymphedema Network, Northside Hospital, Piedmont Hospital, Piedmont Fayette Hospital, Saint Joseph’s Mercy Care Services, Inc., Southern Regional Medical Center - Women’s Center at Spivey Station, The Good Samaritan Health Center, Inc., TurningPoint Women’s Healthcare, Wellstar Foundation, and West End Medical Centers, Inc..

Komen Atlanta is the largest funding organization of breast cancer support in Georgia and strives to bridge the gap between healthcare disparities in the community. Since its

inception in 1991, the organization has raised \$30 million to help enable women to detect and survive breast cancer.

ABOUT SUSAN G. KOMEN FOR THE CURE GREATER ATLANTA AFFILIATE

Komen Atlanta is the local resource for breast cancer screening, treatment, education and support. Through events, including the Race for the Cure, and contributions, the Affiliate raises funds to enable women to detect and survive breast cancer. Seventy-five percent of all funds stay in Atlanta to provide breast health services for women who could not otherwise afford them. Twenty-five percent supports national research efforts to finding a cure. Komen Atlanta has raised \$30 million since its inception in 1991. The Affiliate is part of the national Susan G. Komen for the Cure organization, which strives to save lives and end breast cancer forever. Komen is the largest private funder in the fight against breast cancer and has invested more than \$1.2 billion towards the cause.

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