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SUPERHEROES FROM ACROSS THE COASTAL BEND UNITE ON CINCO DE MAYO 13TH Annual CASA Superhero 5K

(Corpus Christi, TX) On May 5th at Heritage Park superheroes from all corners of the Coastal Bend will unite in support of giving every child a chance. Over 1,000 runners, walkers and bystanders dress up as their favorite costumed crime fighters while celebrating the everyday heroes who fight for a better future for children in foster care.

The event includes a children's 1K run and a 5K run/walk. In addition to the race, local businesses will hand out goodies and provide activities for attendees. Participating businesses include: Snap Box Photo booth, La Costa Dental, Corpus Christi American Federation of Teachers, Corner Bakery, Coldwell Banker Pacesetter Steel Realtors, Carvajal Agencies, Texas Coastal Bend Border Region Human Trafficking Task Force and Brightwood College. Crossroads Yoga will provide a warm up session prior to the race. Space is available for businesses interested in participating.

A super-charged costume contest offers over \$4,000 in prizes for children, teens, adults, groups and, new this year, pets! Judges for the Super Humans include KRIS6 News team – Jennifer Lira, Mike Gillaspia and Maclovio Perez – plus AJ in The Morning from The Beach 96.5 and Kris Tovar from My Home Team Media. Judges for the Super Pets include Nicholas Nilest, Scott Humpal and Paulette Guajardo. There are no entry fees for the costume contests.

Sponsors to date include: Title Sponsor Edwards Law Firm, Bimbo Bakeries USA, Carvajal Agencies, Alamo Drafthouse, Rock's Discount Vitamins, H-E-B, Valero, NuStar Energy, Chuy's, Sames Ford and Everest Water. Sponsorship opportunities are still available.

As a volunteer-based organization, event proceeds will be used to assist with recruitment/training costs necessary to continue carrying CASA's mission: To represent the best interests of abused and neglected children in Nueces, Aransas, and San Patricio County by collecting information on all aspects of the children's lives and reporting these findings to the presiding judge.

Visit www.coastalbendcasa.org/superhero-5K for registration and sponsorship information.

Those interested in learning more about CASA and the rewards that come along with serving as the voice of a child are encouraged to attend a brief, non-committal information session to hear about the roles and requirements of a CASA volunteer. Information sessions are held at the CASA office every Wednesday at noon. # # #