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THE HELP GROUP'S
Autism Awareness Reception
 IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

The **Help Group** is pleased announce that

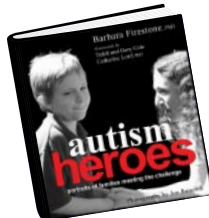
GELSON'S
 THE *Super* MARKET

Gelson's is making a difference for children with autism and their families. Once again, this year, Gelson's is featuring The Help Group's *There is Hope, There is Help* autism awareness campaign at all of its store locations during the month of April.

GELSON'S THE *Super* MARKET Recipient of the 2007 Help Group Autism Partner Award



will be presenting a one hour special based on the book



autism heroes
 portraits of families
 meeting the challenge

by Barbara Firestone, Ph.D.
 President & CEO, The Help Group

Saturday, April 26th
 6:30pm – 7:30pm

FEATURING ANCHORS AND REPORTERS

Michelle Tuzee • **Phillip Palmer** • **Jovana Lara**

abc 7 Recipient of the 2007 Help Group Media Excellence Award

PLEASE JOIN US AT OUR

Autism Awareness Reception

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WEDNESDAY ~ APRIL 9, 2008

11:30 A.M. LUNCHEON RECEPTION

PROGRAM BEGINS AT NOON

THE HELP GROUP ~ SHERMAN OAKS CAMPUS

13130 BURBANK BOULEVARD ■ SHERMAN OAKS, CALIFORNIA 91401

OPENING REMARKS

Barbara Firestone, Ph.D.

PRESIDENT & CEO, THE HELP GROUP

VICE-CHAIR, CALIF. LEGISLATIVE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON AUTISM

SPECIAL REMARKS

Antonio R. Villaraigosa

MAYOR, CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Zev Yaroslavsky

SUPERVISOR, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, 3RD DISTRICT

Wendy Greuel

PRESIDENT PRO TEM, LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL
COUNCILMEMBER, 2ND DISTRICT

Peter C. Whybrow, M.D.

DIRECTOR, SEMEL INSTITUTE FOR NEUROSCIENCE &
HUMAN BEHAVIOR, DAVID GEFKEN SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AT UCLA

Teddi & Gary Cole

2007 AUTISM HEROES AWARD RECIPIENTS

AUTISM LEADERSHIP AWARD

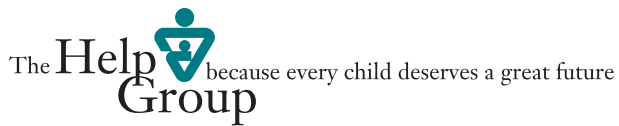


AUTISM HEROES AWARD

Magdalena Beltrán-del Olmo

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Founded in 1975, The Help Group serves children with a wide range of special needs and is the largest and most comprehensive nonprofit of its kind in the United States. Recognized as a leader in the field of autism, it offers extensive special education, therapy and assessment services. The Help Group educates over 750 students on a daily basis in its innovative autism day schools.

Through its public awareness and outreach programs, graduate and postgraduate professional training, parent education programs and efforts at the state and national levels, The Help Group touches the lives of children with special needs across the United States and in other parts of the world.

LEADING THE WAY IN HELPING CHILDREN WITH AUTISM AND THEIR FAMILIES

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VILLAGE GLEN SCHOOL ■ BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL ■ SUNRISE SCHOOL FOR AUTISM & DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
PACIFIC SCHOOLS - PACIFIC COVE PROGRAM ■ THE HELP GROUP NATIONAL AUTISM FOUNDATION
THE HELP GROUP - UCLA NEUROPSYCHOLOGY PROGRAM ■ THE HELP GROUP - UCLA AUTISM RESEARCH ALLIANCE

CAMPUSES

CULVER CITY ■ SHERMAN OAKS ■ VALLEY GLEN ■ VAN NUYS

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