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BROOMFIELD, CO October 11, 2004- Sunny skies, crisp temperatures, enthusiastic participants and the hard work of seven local Boulder and Broomfield County Credit Unions contributed to the success of the first annual Credit Union Harvest Run, Sunday, October 10, 2004. Over 287 runners and walkers participated in the 9 am run and non-profit expo, which raised \$ 19,000.00 to benefit Community Shares of Colorado.

“This event’s success truly demonstrates how cooperation between organizations can produce powerful results,” said Ann Campbell, Co-chair of the Harvest Run. The seven credit unions involved in the Harvest Run have met repeatedly for 18 months and shared resources to promote and implement the event. The event beneficiary, Community Shares of Colorado, is a cooperative non-profit federation that raises money through workplace giving to support over 100 non-profit agencies in Colorado.

The Credit Union Harvest Run began at the Renaissance Boulder Suites Hotel at FlatIron, adjacent to Flatiron Crossing Mall, 500 Flatiron Blvd., Broomfield. The event featured a 5K-run/walk, a kids/family fun run, Harvest Run Expo of local non-profit organizations, and awards ceremony.

The Harvest Run Expo showcased local non-profit organizations and the assistance they offer to the community. It provided a wonderful opportunity for individuals and families to learn about these groups and become involved in their community.

said Jenny Banks an Expo participant. The excitement of this first year race was only surpassed by the enthusiasm of all the participants and sponsors. Seems like a great cause we were running for said Jake Baker a Harvest Run participant.

This end of the season run/walk allowed a unique experience for runners and their families to give back to the community and enjoy the beauty of living in Colorado. The Harvest Run was presented by Boulder Valley Credit Union, Premier Members Federal Credit Union, Boulder Municipal Employees Federal Credit Union, St Vrain Valley Credit Union, Norbel Credit Union, Community Financial Federal Credit Union and U of C Federal Credit Union. For information, visit www.cuharvestrun.com

Community Shares of Colorado is a local non-profit federation that raises money through workplace giving to support over 100 non-profit agencies in Colorado. Community Shares of Colorado has been in existence since 1986 and raises over \$1 million a year to help Colorado non-profit agencies. Proceeds from the Credit Union Harvest Run will go to Community Shares and Boulder and Broomfield non-profit agencies including: the Humane Society of Boulder Valley, Eco-Cycle, Boulder County Arts Alliance, Flatirons Habitat for Humanity, the Boulder Hospice Care and many more. For more information please visit www.cshares.org.

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