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Granite Rallies to Support the Quincy Animal Shelter

Granite coworkers who sideline as volunteers at the Quincy Animal Shelter help raise funds for the 6th Annual Cause 4 Paws 5k Run & 1 Mile Dog Walk

(October 14, 2014)-Quincy, MA—Granite Telecommunications, LLC, a provider of communications solutions to businesses, raised **\$4,713** for the Quincy Animal Shelter and their upcoming 6th Annual Cause 4 Paws 5k run and 1 mile dog walk. Since 1999 the Quincy Animal Shelter has placed more than 5,000 cats and dogs into homes throughout all of New England.

On Sunday, October 19th, the Quincy Animal Shelter will be hosting its 6th Annual Cause 4 Paws 5k run and 1 mile dog walk at Squantum Point Park at Marina Bay. Granite employees Bobbi-Sue Doyle-Hazard and Brendan O’Sullivan both volunteer at the shelter and received the support of their teammates at Granite to raise funds for the non-profit through Granite’s weekly jeans day fundraiser. Bobbi-Sue and Brendan will both be volunteering at Cause 4 Paws alongside other members of the Granite staff. The Quincy Animal Shelter is a volunteer-run organization and relies exclusively on the help of volunteers and support of the community.

“\$4,700 will go a long way to helping the animals of Quincy Animal Shelter,” said Kit Burk, Shelter Director at the Quincy Animal Shelter. “That amount would allow us to spay or neuter 45 cats, provide approximately 10 animals in need with major dental care or purchase 360 tests to screen for Heartworm or Feline Leukemia. We are extremely grateful for this much needed donation!”

On Sunday, October 19th, the day will kickoff at 10am with a 5k run, followed shortly after by the 10:15am dog walk. Day of event registration begins at 8:30am. There is a \$30 fee per person and children under 12 may join free of charge. The event will be emceed by Sorboni Banerjee from FOX News and will include prizes, raffles, a dog agility course, refreshments, a Quincy Police K9 demo and best dog Halloween costume contest.

For more information about the Quincy Animal Shelter, visit www.quincyanimalshelter.org.



About Jeans Day

Through weekly Jeans Days, held every Friday, Granite employees have the option to wear business casual attire or jeans with a donation of \$3 to the selected charity. Each week, the Granite Cares Committee, comprised of Granite employees, chooses a qualifying nonprofit organization nominated by other employees. Granite then matches the amount raised by employees.

About Granite

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