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## **MOBIL STEEL GIVES BACK TO THE COMMUNITY**

**HOUSTON (January 9, 2012)** – [Mobil Steel International, Inc.](#) and its employees continued a company tradition of giving back to the community by helping area neighbors during the tough economic times of 2011. The company and employees participated in charitable events and made donations to numerous local charities.

Leading up to the holidays, Mobil Steel contributed its sixth consecutive donation to [Sagemont Church's Helping Hands](#) ministry. In 2005 Mobil Steel offered its first company contribution to Helping Hands. Currently, many Mobil Steel employees supplement the annual company gift with their own personal contributions.

Sagemont Church's Helping Hands provides a source of assistance to people experiencing tough times. The program reaches out to senior citizens and shut-ins with support programs such as assistance with roof repairs, meals or shopping. Helping Hands ministry also helps with faith development and provides job placement opportunities. In fact, several Mobil Steel employees joined the company through the placement program.

Mobil Steel actively participates in an annual fundraiser for [Boys and Girls Country](#). Boys and Girls Country is a Christian Home, providing children from families in crisis with love, security, a sense of self-worth, and opportunities to prepare them for a successful life. Mobil Steel's contribution continues a tradition of supporting Boys and Girls Country that president and CEO Leonard A. Bedell started in the 1970s.

## **Supporting the Community is Fulfilling and Satisfying to Mobil Steel Employees**

“We are happy to support our employees’ volunteer efforts in the community whether through little league sponsorships or contributions to events that raise money for outstanding causes,” said Leonard A. Bedell, president and CEO of Mobil Steel.

“It is personally satisfying to use our resources and talent to help people in our community who are in need,” Bedell added. “It is truly fulfilling when you can complete the cycle of assistance by financially helping to sustain a program like Helping Hands or Boys and Girls Country and then receive the benefit of hiring good employees who have been helped and prepared for the workplace by such faith-based programs.”

In addition to charity support to help the community, Mobil Steel also took steps to support the building and construction industry. Mobil Steel supported the Associated Builders and Contractors Greater Houston Scholarship Foundation to provide financial support to future construction industry professionals. The scholarship foundation intends to develop a pipeline of qualified professionals for future construction workforce. Mobil Steel employees also participated in the political process to ensure support for business and the American free enterprise system. During the 82nd Texas legislative session, Bedell visited with state elected officials to support fair and pro-business regulation. Bedell and Mobil Steel employees helped educate local and federal elected officials on business issues and business constraints during the year.

“Whether it is helping our neighbor, a student or helping educate an elected official about the needs of the free enterprise system to create jobs, we have an obligation and responsibility to get involved,” Bedell added.

Other charitable programs supported by Mobil Steel and its employees include the Susan G. [Komen Houston Race for the Cure®](#), the [Special Olympics](#), [Space City Cruisers](#) (in association with the Lions Club), Buckner Foundation Children and Family Services Toy Run, and the Financial Executives International [\(FEI\) Houston Chapter Scholarship Foundation](#). Additionally, Mobil Steel supports the Clearwood Charger Little League Youth Program and several other little league programs in the area.

### **About Mobil Steel International, Inc.**

[Mobil Steel International, Inc.](#) fabricates steel used in some of the world's essential industries: chemical, manufacturing, petroleum, communication, clean fuels, and power utilities, as well as commercial construction. Mobil Steel, which has been at its South Wayside facility in Houston for 43 years, has a production capacity of more than 1,000 tons per month in its 80,000 square feet of plant and office facilities under roof, providing flexibility to manage multiple projects. The 8.5-acre site is located within major freeway access to the refining and petrochemical complex in the Gulf Coast region. Mobil Steel is quality certified by the [American Institute of Steel Construction](#) (AISC). For information about Mobil Steel visit [www.mobilsteel.com](http://www.mobilsteel.com).