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Five Acres hosts Taste of Tuscany, a benefit dinner held at Claud & Co Eatery, raises funds for programs and services

(Altadena, CA) October 28, 2014 - Five Acres supporters gathered for the 3rd annual Taste of Tuscany on October 19th benefit dinner held at ***Claud & Co The Eatery***. It was an intimate gathering among new and old friends; many who have either been to Italy or are visiting in the near future and most importantly, have a passion for delicious food and wine and supporting Five Acres.

Board member and food enthusiast Don Boline spearheaded this annual event as lead chef, creating the menu and working with Eatery master chef, Claud Beltran. Together, they created a five course menu with vintage wine pairings. Guests' were delighted with pan seared branzino fish, stuffed rice balls with salami atop Don's classic marinara, braised beef cheeks displayed over authentic linguine imported from Italy. For dessert, guests enjoyed tiramisu with Luisa Fabbri's Italian chocolate truffles from Contessa Collections.

During the evening, Five Acres board chair John Reith thanked the chefs and contributors to the evening and shared his experience at Five Acres. Under the visionary leadership of CEO Chanel Boutakidis and the senior leadership team, the agency has grown to serve over 8,400 vulnerable children and families in crisis each year and is having a much deeper and broader impact on the community.

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About Five Acres.

Five Acres is a child and family services agency strengthening families and preventing child abuse through treatment and education in community-based services and residential programs. Established as an orphanage in 1888, today Five Acres offers an array of services including foster care and adoption and supports over 8,400 children and families across five counties, including Los Angeles. For more information go to www.5acres.org