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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **United Way of the Coastal Bend Announces Board of Directors' Election Results**

Corpus Christi, TX (January 20, 2011) – United Way of the Coastal Bend (UWCB) is pleased to announce the results of its 2011 Board of Directors' election and slate of officers.

The UWCB Board elected Steve DeSutter, president and CEO, Stripes LLC to the position of Chair. DeSutter has served on the UWCB Board since January 2009.

He replaces Steve Woerner, president and CEO of Driscoll Children's Hospital who served as the 2010 Chair. Beginning his second term on the UWCB Board, Mike Carrell, regional president for Frost Bank is transitioning from the 2010 Secretary position to Chair Elect. John Owen, president and CEO of Goodwill Industries of South Texas will assume the role of Secretary. Timothy P. Noble, president and general manager of KRIS Communications who served as the UWCB 2010 Past Chair will take over the organization's 2011 Treasurer's post.

"It continues to be a tremendous honor to be part of this extraordinary organization as we begin our 75<sup>th</sup> year of service to the Coastal Bend community," shared Steve DeSutter, 2011 UWCB Board Chair. "Our mission remains to improve lives by mobilizing the caring power of community focusing on the impact areas of education, income and health."

The newly elected 2011 UWCB Board officers are:

- Chair – Steve DeSutter, president and CEO, Stripes LLC
- Chair Elect – Mike Carrell, regional president, Frost Bank
- Past Chair – Steve Woerner, president and CEO, Driscoll Children's Hospital
- Secretary – John Owen, president and CEO, Goodwill Industries of South Texas
- Treasurer – Timothy P. Noble, president and general manager, KRIS Communications

Two new members joining the UWCB Board in 2011 include Darrell Coleman, president and publisher, Corpus Christi Caller Times and Wade Smith, president and COO, AEP Texas.

UWCB Board members may be elected to serve up to three terms. This year, four members are adding additional terms to their service: Mike Carrell and Steve Woerner begin second terms, while Ann Hennis, attorney for Hartline, Dacus, Barger Dreyer & Kern, LLP and Timothy P. Noble enter third terms.

"We are so honored and proud to have the leadership of our officers and the entire Board," said Catrina Wilson, president and CEO for the United Way of the Coastal Bend. "Their commitment to moving this organization forward and creating a better community for all is to be commended.

Continuing Board Members include: Ray Gritte, technology manager, Occidental Chemical Corporation; John LaRue, executive director, Port of Corpus Christi; Shelley J. Parks, manager,

Public Affairs South Texas Region, H-E-B Gulf Coast Region; Mike Quintanilla, Safety/Compliance Manager, Miller Environmental Services; Jerry Van Beveren, CPA, Flusche, Van Beveren, Kilgore CPA's; Harry D. Wright, Plant Manager, Valero Three Rivers Refinery.

***About United Way of the Coastal Bend***

United Way of the Coastal Bend is improving lives by mobilizing the caring power of community. Focusing on the basic building blocks for a good life: Education, Income and Health United Way of the Coastal Bend provides funding to 44 programs in Bee, Jim Wells, Kleberg, Live Oak, Nueces and San Patricio Counties. For more information on how you can join the United Way and its partners to build a stronger community, please visit [www.uwcb.org](http://www.uwcb.org) or call (361)882-2529

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