## LU PARKER PROJECT & LOCAL TEENAGERS SUCCESSFULLY OUTFIT EVERY DOG KENNEL AT SOUTH LA ANIMAL SHELTER WITH A NEW BED



Los Angeles, CA (April 04, 2011) — Lu Parker Project, led by recent Genesis Award winner, KTLA's Lu Parker, joined forces this past weekend at SONY Studios with over 70 volunteers and local teenagers from **Bresee Foundation** to assemble more than one hundred beds for homeless dogs. Also showing their support were Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, Actor Adam Sandler, Los Angeles Animal Services Manager, Brenda Barnette and KTLA's Cher Calvin.

During **Lu Parker Project's** successful Valentine's Day Fundraiser "*Have a Heart, Donate a Bed,*" the group exceeded their goal of raising funds to order 140 Kuranda

beds for the shelter that are durable and water-resistant.



Once successfully assembled the volunteers set their sights on the South LA Shelter to ensure that every kennel was outfitted with a comfortable bed, elevated off the ground and resistant to wear and tear. Participating sponsors included **Pizza Hut**, **Lucky Puppy**, and **North Star Moving Corporation**.

"It's hard to describe how beautiful the moments were once we took the new beds to the South LA shelter and were able to see each dog's joy in having a new place to lie down. Our youth volunteers joined us, and had never visited a shelter. I believe the visit will alter their lives for the better," says Parker.



## About Lu Parker Project:

**LPP** began its first mission *Project Paint* and *Project Beautify* in July 2010 which revamped the South LA Animal Shelter lobby and exterior. This is the same shelter where Parker adopted her dog, Monkey. The non-profit is the result of Lu Parker's longtime goal to help save the lives of defenseless animals with the helping hands of inner-city children. In a series of efforts to beautify Los Angeles for humans and animals alike, **Lu Parker Project** provides volunteer opportunities for at-risk students, as well as, Los Angeles residents.

For more information please visit <u>www.luparkerproject.org</u>

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