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**Pittsburgh Steelers' Super Bowl Champion Quarterback Ben Roethlisberger
Announces Tampa Bay K-9 Grant**

Pittsburgh, PA – Pittsburgh Steelers' Super Bowl Champion Quarterback and Findlay, OH native Ben Roethlisberger announced today the second grant of 2010 from The Ben Roethlisberger Foundation at The Giving Back Fund will be distributed to The Kody Snodgrass Memorial Foundation, known as 832 K-9's Deputy Dogs, near **Tampa Bay, FL**. The department is seeking financial assistance to provide accelerated training for bloodhounds, specifically in response to child abduction.

This NFL season **The Ben Roethlisberger Foundation** will be distributing grants to Police and Fire Departments in Pittsburgh and in the cities and surrounding communities of each regular season away game for the Steelers in the 2010 season. The Ben Roethlisberger Foundation invited police and fire departments in the nine cities to submit proposals detailing their needs.

“The Ben Roethlisberger Foundation has enabled this organization to bring more children home,” said Foundation Chairperson Angela Snodgrass. “Our mission is to save lives, and by increasing the level of training given to these miraculous bloodhounds, we also increase the success rate of finding the lost.”

The Ben Roethlisberger Foundation seeks to provide support for police and fire departments throughout the United States and to enhance the quality of life for residents of Findlay, OH and Pittsburgh, PA.

For more information about **The Ben Roethlisberger Foundation** or The Giving Back Fund, please contact Stephanie Sandler or visit www.bigben7.com or www.givingback.org

About Ben Roethlisberger

Ben Roethlisberger is in his seventh season as quarterback for the Pittsburgh Steelers, and already has secured his place in the record books. At 6 foot 5 and 245 pounds, he is aptly referred to as Big Ben, and has become known for big performances and a humble approach. In 2006, Roethlisberger became the youngest starting quarterback to win a Super Bowl, defeating the Seattle Seahawks 21-10 in Detroit. In the process, the Steelers became the first team to win three playoff games on the road. Roethlisberger's record as a starter in his first two seasons was an astonishing 27-4, and he is the only quarterback to lead his team to the conference championship game in each of his first two seasons. He was the unanimous Rookie of the Year in 2004, breaking Dan Marino's rookie records for completion percentage and passer rating, and was the first quarterback in NFL history to compile a 13-0 record in the regular season.

Ben was raised in Findlay, Ohio and was a three sport star at Findlay High School. He went on to set nearly every quarterback record at Miami University (Ohio) prior to foregoing his senior

season and becoming the 11th overall pick by the Pittsburgh Steelers in the 2004 NFL Draft. Ben resides near Pittsburgh with his two dogs, Zeus and Hercules.

About The Giving Back Fund

The Giving Back Fund (GBF) is a national public charity that creates and professionally manages charitable foundations and other philanthropic programs for athletes, entertainers, business entrepreneurs, and corporations. Since our founding in 1997, GBF has created a unique niche in encouraging and facilitating this new philanthropy, particularly among young people, women and people of color. To date, GBF has provided philanthropic consulting, management and programs to more than 100 athletes, entertainers, entrepreneurs, and other high net worth individuals who are focused on increasing the impact of their philanthropy. GBF has overseen the distribution of more than \$25,000,000 in charitable grants within the United States and in other countries, and has developed dozens of unique scholarship, mentoring, medical, arts related, and other types of philanthropic programs. For additional information, please visit www.GivingBack.org.

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