## Merchant Services Supports San Diego YWCA Domestic Violence Program

Irvine, CA; January 11, 2012 – Merchant Services has a long-standing tradition of giving back to the community, and this winter is no exception. The Irvine-based company recently donated \$500 to Becky's House<sup>®</sup>, a Domestic Violence Program run by the YWCA of San Diego County.

"Our hope is to provide assistance to charitable groups with a specific focus on children and families in need," shared Senior Vice President of Merchant Services Bob Parisi. "Becky's House is a phenomenal program and we are proud to support their efforts in providing a safe haven for women and children in their time of need."

The Becky's House<sup>®</sup> Domestic Violence Program supports the individual's journey from victim to survivor to achiever. The program includes a 30-day domestic violence emergency shelter and two 18-month transitional living programs for victims of domestic violence and their families.

The YWCA's Becky's House® has the largest number of emergency shelter and transitional housing beds in the county, with 47 and 85 respectively, for women and children escaping domestic violence.

Merchant Services has been committed to giving back to the community since its inception in 1995. Its team continues to partner with multiple local, national and international organizations to meet their vision of continuously acting in a socially responsible manner, through the investment of hundreds of thousands of dollars in donations to community strengthening organizations.

## **About Merchant Services**

Founded in 1995, Merchant Services is a leading provider of e-commerce solutions to businesses throughout the United States. Recognized in 2009 and 2010 by Inc. Magazine as one of *The 5000 Fastest Growing Privately-Held Companies in the U.S.*, Merchant Services provides sound, reliable and cost-effective bankcard and e-commerce support to tens of thousands of business partners nationwide.

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