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**BROWN TO DONATE ANOTHER \$30K IN CAMPAIGN FUNDS TO THREE AREA VETERANS SERVICE PROVIDERS**

*Retired USAF Lt. Col. to Present Checks with General Wesley Clark on Thursday in Roseville*

**ROSEVILLE:** The Congressional campaign of Retired USAF Lt. Col. Charlie Brown has announced the newest round of beneficiaries in its historic "Promises Kept Veterans Charity Challenge" program, and will present \$30,000 in new donations at an event this Thursday afternoon in Roseville.

As was the case during Brown's last Charity Challenge giveaway back in March, for the past week, Brown's website has conducted an online poll to determine how much of the funds slated for distribution would be received by three finalists---Rebuild Hope, the Greater Oroville Homeless Coalition, and Cottage Housing. More than 2000 votes were cast.

*"It's important to call attention to the challenges war fighters and their families face when they come home. However if history has taught us anything, it's that we can't let the conversation end there, and too often it does,"* Brown said. *"The Promises Kept program is about bringing people together to keep that dialogue going and take action, because we can all be part of the solution here in our community."*

Brown's Veterans Challenge program is unprecedented---and reflects a pledge Brown made upon announcing his candidacy back in September of 2007, to donate 5% of every dollar raised for his campaign to area organizations serving veterans and families in need. Brown also challenged all other candidates---running for any office under the banner of any political party---to match this commitment. And while 2008 has set records in terms of campaign cash receipts across the country, so far, there haven't been any takers.

*"We always hear about candidates spending money to communicate their campaign promises,"* Brown said. *"I think it's high time we had a few who invested a little money in keeping them."*

As of Thursday, Brown will have donated more than \$50,000 to 9 different organizations, and is planning another veterans charity giveaway in October.

*"Among other things, Charity Challenge funds are helping to house and feed the homeless, connect at-risk veterans with earned benefits and healthcare services, and to prevent disabled Iraq and Afghanistan vets from falling through the cracks during tough economic times,"* Brown said.

Brown will be joined at Thursday's event by representatives of each recipient organization, fellow veterans, supporters, and a special guest--**Former NATO**

**Supreme Allied Commander and Retired Four Star Army General Wesley K. Clark, who will be making his 2nd trip to District 4 to stump with Brown.**

**WHO:** Charlie Brown, Lt. Col. USAF Ret.  
General Wesley K. Clark, USA Ret.  
Don Harper, Chair, Veterans for Charlie Brown  
Area Iraq War Veterans, and remarks by OIF Veteran Joshua Steward  
(tentative)  
Representatives from Rebuild Hope, the Greater Oroville Homeless  
Coalition, and Cottage Housing

**WHAT:** Promises Kept Veterans Charity Challenge Check Presentation

**WHEN:** Thursday, September 4th, 2008, 2:30-3:30 P.M.

**WHERE:** Veterans Park North, 10021 Crocker Ranch Rd., Roseville CA 95747

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Brown and General Clark will also be teaming up on Friday, and will be mobilizing volunteers in Roseville to create care packages for U.S. troops currently deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan.

**More About the Promises Kept Program:**

<http://www.charliebrownforcongress.com/article.php?uid=762>

**More About This Week's Beneficiaries:**

<http://www.charliebrownforcongress.org/poll.php>

*Retired Lt. Col. Charlie Brown spent 26 years in the U.S. Air Force, flying rescue helicopters at the end of the Vietnam War, piloting reconnaissance missions around the world, and coordinating a variety of intelligence collection assets. His decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, Sikorsky Winged S, 7 Air Medals, and 5 Meritorious Service Medals. Charlie's wife Jan is also a veteran, and their son has served four rotations in Iraq with the Air Force. A graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, Brown also owns a California teaching credential and served 8 years on the Professional Staff of the Roseville Police Department. He is a candidate for Congress in California's 4th District.*

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