

MEDIA ADVISORY

Microsoft awards \$1 Million to California Science Center

Microsoft Chief Operating Officer to announce software grant to Science Center

When: Friday, September 29, 2006
10:00 a.m.

Where: California Science Center
Sky Court Gallery, 3rd Floor
700 State Drive, Exposition Park
Los Angeles, CA

What: Microsoft will announce a software donation valued at \$1 million to support the California Science Center Foundation and its mission of promoting science learning in Southern California.

The gift is distinguished as the Science Center's first software award and is the largest in value received from a technology company. The Microsoft grant will be used to implement an infrastructure upgrade, ensuring state-of-the-art software for the California Science Center and benefiting all facets of the only organization in the nation which combines a regional Science Center, neighborhood elementary school and onsite teacher development facility.

Who: Kevin Turner, Microsoft Chief Operating Officer
Sandi Thomas, Microsoft Southern California District General Manager
Jeffrey Rudolph, California Science Center President
Mark Ridley-Thomas, California Assembly Member
Kevin Murray, California State Senator

Visuals: Kevin Turner presenting giant "check" to Jeffrey Rudolph
30 students from the Science Center School:

- Using software to create a habitat and test its viability
- Posing their questions to the Kevin Turner

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