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**The IEEP is collaborating with Rebuilding Mountain Hearts & Lives
to produce the 2nd Annual Mountain Lakes Economic Summit**

INLAND EMPIRE, CA (May 29, 2008) – The Inland Empire Economic Partnership is collaborating with Rebuilding Mountain Hearts & Lives to produce the 2nd Annual Mountain Lakes Economic Summit on Wednesday, June 25, 2008. The event will be held at the Northwoods Resort in Big Bear Lake. Registration begins at 7:00 a.m. with the keynote presentation starting at 7:30 a.m. Added this year are optional breakout sessions that will run from 9:30 a.m. –



– 11:00 a.m. This economic summit is designed to educate mountain community residents and provide them with information on the resources available during times of disaster and/or unforeseen circumstances.

Moderator: Bill Carney, President & CEO, Inland Empire Economic Partnership

Keynote Speaker: Dr. John Husing, Economics & Politics, Inc.

State of the County: Supervisor Dennis Hansberger, 3rd District, San Bernardino County

Panelists: Larry Sharp, CEO, Arrowhead Credit Union
Dr. Donald Averill, Chancellor, San Bernardino Community
College District

Brian McGowan, Deputy Secretary, State of California Economic Development & Commerce

Breakout Sessions: Topics include finance and marketing.

Informational Inland Empire Small Business Development Center,

booths include: San Bernardino County Department of Economic Development, State of California Office of Emergency Services, local Chambers of Commerce and many more.

Cost: \$20 per person, includes breakfast and all events.

Location: Northwoods Resort, Big Bear Lake

Please call 800.866.3121 for room reservations and special room rates.

To purchase your seat in advance contact Rebuilding Mountain Hearts & Lives at 909.337.9922. For further information, please contact Cheryl Nagy or David Stuart at 909.337.9922.

About IEEP

The Inland Empire Economic Partnership is a not-for-profit economic development organization serving Riverside and San Bernardino Counties. Its mission is to provide a strong and unified regional voice for the development of human, political and financial capital, which support and enhance the economic vitality and quality of life in the Inland Empire.

Rebuilding Mountain Hearts & Lives Mission Statement

To improve the quality of life of all Rim Community mountain residents, especially low-income and disadvantaged individuals/families, those affected by disasters and/or unforeseen circumstances and to provide a model for future disasters. This is accomplished by (1) building a community of support, (2) educating the community, (3) participating in coalitions with other advocates and, (4) continuing to seek new resources and partnerships.

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