

STRIKE 3 FOUNDATION Media Release

Strike 3 Foundation • www.strike3foundation.org • P.O. Box 191 • Monroe, CT 06468

July 21, 2011

** MEDIA ADVISORY / PHOTO OPPORTUNITY **

A's Pitcher Craig Breslow's "Strike 3 Foundation" Awards \$25,000 Grant to Children's Hospital and Research Center Oakland

Breslow, A's Teammates to Visit Patients July 26 Following Grant Award Presentation

WHAT:

Oakland A's pitcher and "Strike 3 Foundation" founder **Craig Breslow**, along with two-time All-Star pitcher and the foundation's development director, **Andrew Bailey**, will award Children's Hospital and Research Center Oakland a \$25,000 grant on Tuesday, July 26 at 11:30 a.m.

The award, to be presented during a check presentation ceremony in the Atrium of Children's Hospital's Outpatient Center, will support, in full, Children's Hospital's Psychology Oncology Program's implementation of a Teen Cancer Support Group and Siblings Program. The Cancer Support Group will serve as a lifeline for 30 teen cancer patients and survivors during treatment and through the healing journey, while the Siblings Program will bring family-centered care to cancer patients and their families.

In conjunction with the Strike 3 Foundation grant presentation, **members of the Oakland A's and their significant others** will visit patients at the Children's Hospital and Research Center Oakland from 12:00-1:00 p.m.

The Strike 3 Foundation is a charitable agency that heightens awareness, mobilizes support, and raises funding for childhood cancer research. This foundation was established by Breslow in 2008 to help find a cure for childhood cancer, and to honor his sister Lesley, a survivor of pediatric thyroid cancer for over 15 years. For more information, please visit www.strike3foundation.org.

WHEN: Tuesday, July 26

11:30 a.m. – Strike 3 Foundation grant award presentation at Children's Hospital's Outpatient Center 12:00-1:00 p.m. – A's players and significant others visit patients at Children's Hospital

WHERE:Children's Hospital & Research Center Oakland – Outpatient Center Atrium744 52nd Street, Oakland, CA 94609 (Building is next to the parking garage)

PARTICIPANTS: A's pitcher and Strike 3 Foundation founder Craig Breslow, two-time A's All-Star pitcher and the foundation's development director, Andrew Bailey, Children's Hospital Oakland's President and CEO Dr. Bert Lubin, Children's Psychology Oncology Program's clinical psychologists Dr. Pam Orren and Dr. Dina Hankin, and pediatric cancer patients and survivors will participate in the grant award presentation.

Those players and significant others expected to visit the patients at the Children's Hospital Oakland are Breslow, Bailey and wife Amanda, Trevor Cahill and girlfriend Jessica, David and Kim DeJesus, Brian and Barbara Fuentes, Tyson Ross and girlfriend Ashley, Eric Sogard, Jemile Weeks, and Brad Ziegler, among others.

CONTACTS: Kristy Fick, Oakland A's Player and Media Relations Manager (510) 381-3714 (cell); kfick@oaklandathletics.com

Erin Goldsmith, Children's Hospital & Research Center Oakland Media Relations Manager (510) 388-5927 (cell); egoldsmith@mail.cho.org