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Two XLerate Group Auctions commit to raising funds in support of their community's outreach programs

Charleston, SC and El Paso, TX -- XLerate Group Auctions' Charleston Auto Auction and EPI El Paso Independent Auto Auction, along with their customers, are raising funds to help community outreach programs in both Charleston and El Paso.

Throughout February, Charleston Auto Auction is raising money for **ECCO (East Cooper Community Outreach)**. ECCO provides a range of procedures and services for thousands of uninsured adults each year – all at no cost to their clients

“Create Smiles in the Low Country’ is our rallying call,” said Laura Taylor, general manager of Charleston Auto Auction. “Helping families to maintain good dental health in an area where that service is not within their budget gives us a chance to impact the needs of our community.”

In Texas, XLerate's EPI El Paso is raising funds for **Compadres Therapy, Inc.**, a non-profit corporation that teams with health and educational professionals to promote the educational and healing effect of the human/animal bond. Services are provided to persons in the community with special needs - physically, intellectually, and emotionally challenged - who are economically disadvantaged.

“We've asked our dealers and staff to join in EPI's efforts to bring healing through our natural bond with animals,” said General Manager Luke Pidgeon. “Compadres' licensed therapists and certified instructors use various therapeutic methods, like the physical movements of horses or the interactions between horse and human, to overcome physical and mental health impediments.”

The services that Charleston's funds will support include comprehensive oral exams and screenings, x-rays, extractions, cleanings, fillings and emergency extractions. ECCO was founded as an emergency relief effort after the devastation from Hurricane Hugo in 1989. Their program has since grown into a permanent resource for the community in need.

XLerate CEO Cam Hitchcock says, “XLerate Group is proud of the efforts our auctions have made to ensure that their community can meet the basic needs of health services, assistance, and counseling.”

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