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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****The Roy F. and Joann Cole Mitte Foundation announces availability of free meeting space and resources for local nonprofits**

Austin, Texas, June 16, 2010—The Roy F. and Joann Cole Mitte Foundation has announced today a new partnership with Greenlights for NonProfit Success that will increase the availability of free and low-cost resources and information to support Central Texas nonprofits.

With the support of the Mitte Foundation through a \$30,000 grant, Greenlights will manage and promote free use of the Mitte Carriage House to Austin-area nonprofits who are members of Greenlights. The space is an ideal meeting place for board members, committees and nonprofit staff, and can accommodate up to 40 individuals. The Mitte Carriage House will also be used to increase the accessibility of select Greenlights workshops and services available to nonprofits.

This partnership also enables Greenlights to conduct an analysis of nonprofit information and resource request trends to better understand the critical needs of area nonprofits. This analysis will inform the development of tools and resources to address common needs, and to maximize Greenlights' ability to respond to the hundreds of requests for information made by nonprofits each year.

Requests for information or other free resources serve as an entry-point for how Greenlights learns about an organization and begins to understand how to help their leaders and boards build stronger, sustainable and more efficient organizations. As a result, Greenlights is able to guide organizations to the services and resources they most need, thereby building stronger nonprofits that are better positioned to address community needs.

The long-term effects of this project are ultimately the availability of more free resources to area nonprofits and higher levels of issue resolution and customer satisfaction in the process. These will result in nonprofits being able to direct more funds to program delivery (and away from space rental) and to be more efficient in the allocation of their resources.

To learn more about the Mitte Foundation, visit www.mittefoundation.org, and to learn more about Greenlights, visit www.greenlights.org. For more information about the availability of free meeting space at the Mitte Carriage House, visit www.greenlights.org/meeting_space.

About the Roy F. and Joann Cole Mitte Foundation

[The Roy F. and Joann Cole Mitte Foundation](http://www.mittefoundation.org) is a Texas non-profit corporation created in 1994 by Roy F. and Joann Cole Mitte. The Mitte Foundation seeks to light a candle against the darkness of poverty and ignorance, with hopes that the glow will strengthen and enrich communities of greatest need and highest potential. Beneficiaries include nonprofit groups which help improve conditions in areas of education and elder care.

About Greenlights for NonProfit Success

[Greenlights for NonProfit Success](#) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that catalyzes extraordinary nonprofit performance in Central Texas. Focusing its services on five key nonprofit management and governance areas – Financial Management, Resource Development, Strategy & Planning, Board Excellence, and Leadership Advancement – Greenlights serves 800 organizations and more than 2,500 individuals annually through low-cost, high-quality professional development workshops and conferences, customized management consulting services, and by serving as the “help line” for any and all nonprofit management questions.

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