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**New Headquarters Helps Meets Growing Need for Services**  
*Open House celebrates milestone move for Alzheimer's Association*

**(SAN DIEGO)** - Alzheimer's disease is one of the fastest growing diseases in the United States. **Fifty thousand San Diegans are affected by Alzheimer's disease.**

With the need for services including patient and caregiver education and support services, the Alzheimer's Association of San Diego/Imperial County has moved into a new facility to better serve the community.

The new headquarters is located at 6632 Convoy Court, conveniently located near freeway access at Interstate 805 and Clairemont Mesa Boulevard in central San Diego County. The Association held an open house on Tuesday, July 28 to celebrate this milestone. Attendees received a tour of the facilities and had the opportunity to meet and talk with staff and board members.

Designed specifically to meet community needs, expanded education facilities and support centers allow the Alzheimer's Association to accommodate more people at caregiver training courses and support group meetings.

During the open house, the Association hosted the kickoff event for the Mission Federal Memory Walk 09, an annual fundraiser scheduled for Saturday, October 24, 2009.

"We are thrilled to be in our new home," said Lisa Bruner, Executive Director of the Alzheimer's Association. "It means we will be able to serve the many families affected by Alzheimer's disease better than ever before with more programs and better access to our services," said Bruner.

The mission of the Alzheimer's Association San Diego/Imperial Chapter is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health. The Chapter provides free services, including support groups, educational seminars, 24-hour Helpline, a library, Care Consultations, MedicAlert™+ Safe Return™ and Memories in the Making™ art program. For more information, visit [www.sanalz.org](http://www.sanalz.org) or call 1-800-272-3900.

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