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## Release of Album Benefiting Tucson Tragedy Victims

### *Southern Arizona Musicians Come Together To Care for Victims of 1/8/11 Shooting*

Tucson, Arizona -- During National Crime Victims' Rights week, 26 diverse musical groups representing 117 artists along with numerous producers and studios joined together to commemorate the release of *Can We Get Together?* - a benefit album that supports the victims of the January 8<sup>th</sup> shooting. Countless families had their lives altered forever, and today the Tucson music community has united to support these victims.

"We are so honored to take part in something that will help some of the lives that were affected," said Danielle Crosby of *Compose the Octave*. "Our thoughts and prayers have been with the victims and their families since that awful day."

Members of the Tucson Girls Chorus, grades 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>, were in attendance and sang on both the title track and their own performance "Puddles," a song dedicated to the memory of Christina Green. "The Tucson Girls Chorus is proud to represent youth and be the sounding voice of girls just like Christina Green," said choral director Marcela Molina. The song Puddles is a reference to the quote "I hope you jump in rain puddles" from the 9/11 baby's book *Faces of Hope* featuring Christina Green.

The need to do something positive was not isolated, and the effects of January 8<sup>th</sup> reached out across race, religion, politics, or anything that would divide Arizona. The most diverse group of musicians across southern Arizona chose to lead by example and help their community. The genres on this album span from hip hop to folk, classical to reggae, big band jazz assembly to mariachi, and country to rap. Many of the artists wrote their songs in direct response to the tragedy.

"Once we heard the news... some of us cried, some of us were angry," said Rush Urbalejo of the punk rock band Wax 78. "Then a wonderful thing happened. We began to realize that as diverse as Tucson is, we are all part of this community. We began to come together for a single cause - helping those that were affected by the tragedy."

The net proceeds from the album go to benefit the Tucson Together Fund, the only officially sanctioned fund established to assist victims, families, and witnesses of the January 8th tragedy. *Can We Get Together?* can be purchased online at Amazon.com, on iTunes, or at various locations around Tucson. For more information visit [www.tucsongettogether.com](http://www.tucsongettogether.com).

"It is my sincere desire that when people listen to the music on this CD, they will remember those who were lost. And just as a melody is not forgotten after the music ceases, neither will these lives be forgotten," said classical guitarist David Rose.

*Can We Get Together?*  
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