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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### NEW HOPE FOR FAMILIES HOSTING A BENEFIT CONCERT TO RAISE MONEY FOR SHELTER

PAWTUCKET, RI – May 3, 2007 – New Hope for Families, an emergency family shelter, will host a benefit concert featuring combined area choirs on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm – 6pm at St. Maria Goretti Church at 165 Power Road in Pawtucket.

This ensemble will gather to celebrate unity and diversity of Christian music in the Blackstone Valley area while raising money for the shelter. Under the direction of Peter LaMoria, seven area church choirs will perform music in a variety of arrangements. “This event represents a community coming together to celebrate beautiful music for a great cause. The shelter has been a support for so many area families, we hope this concert will bring recognition and further support to New Hope,” said David McCreadie, Program Director of New Hope for Families.

Individuals and families are invited to attend. Monetary contributions will be accepted at the door and 100% of the proceeds will go toward the shelter.

#### **About New Hope for Families, Inc.:**

*New Hope for Families, a private non-profit shelter, was started in 1986 by a group of concerned citizens in Pawtucket and Central Falls to provide families with a safe place to go to rebuild their resources and their lives. As the only emergency family shelter in the Cities of Pawtucket and Central Falls, families come to the shelter from a variety of circumstances including overcrowded housing, eviction, living in cars, or living house to house. In response to the homeless prevalence in the area, New Hope created a home that supports its mission of providing structure, support and case management such as employment training and counseling that will lead to family self-sufficiency. New Hope provides shelter to approximately 47 families each year.*

*In July 2005, New Hope joined as a member agency of Gateway Healthcare while retaining its own 501(c)(3) status. Gateway provides much needed infrastructure support in the area of clinical services, human resources and staff trainings. This effort is reflective of New Hope’s continued effort of integrating case management and best clinical practices into the shelter setting as well as a shared common goal of both organizations.*

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