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NEW HOPE FOR FAMILIES RECEIVES SENATE LEGISLATIVE GRANT

PAWTUCKET, RI – August 29, 2007 – With the sponsorship of Senator Daniel J. Issa (D-Dist. 16), New Hope for Families, an emergency family shelter program in Pawtucket, was awarded a \$2,000 Senate Legislative grant to offset operation costs. The shelter, which opened its door in 1986, provides temporary living accommodations for families in the area. Currently, the program can accommodate five families through its apartment program and two additional families in the transitional housing program.

“New Hope relies on grants and other support from the community to provide housing and support services to families in need. Senator Issa’s support means a great deal to the shelter and will allow New Hope to continue its mission,” said David McCreadie, Program Director.

New Hope for Families, the only emergency family shelter in Pawtucket and Central Falls, provides services to over 60 families each year. The services at the shelter go beyond food, shelter and clothing and extend to case management and social support for the whole family.



[Photo Caption: Senator Daniel J. Issa (D-District 16) (right), presents a check to David McCreadie, Jr., program director of New Hope for Families.]

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.

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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