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Tax-Exempt Organizations Working to Improve Inner-City Education  
Boston, Hartford, Providence, NYC, Washington D.C.

Subj: **Invitation to Submit a Letter of Interest in a Foundation 2009 Relationship Grant.**

Dear Friends:

We appreciate that most tax-exempt organizations today are forced to expend an extraordinary amount of effort pursuing funding from all available sources, sometimes with little real chance of receiving those funds. In an effort to be part of the solution – rather than part of the problem – the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation is restructuring its grant application process to simplify and streamline the initial steps. We hope this new process will enable the Foundation and the applicants to identify common goals and beneficiaries quickly and help us all focus on the best matches for the Foundation's 2009 Relationship Grant program.

Therefore, we presently seek a brief letter of interest only. After reviewing these letters, we will invite promising candidates to submit a more detailed proposal.

If interested, please submit a letter of your interest in applying for a Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Relationship Grant. Our Boston office must receive your correspondence **by 4:00 p.m. EDT on May 1, 2009.** The letter should be **no longer than two pages in total** (i.e., including any attachments or exhibits.) It should briefly contain the following information:

1. Identification of the organization.
  - a. Organization Name
  - b. Main Address, Phone #, E-mail
  - c. Contact person (and address, phone, e-mail if different)
  - d. Website (or, if none, person to contact for more information)
  - e. IRS tax exempt status.
2. Narrative description of your educational proposal, including:
  - a. How this proposal will improve inner-city education for specific, identifiable individuals?
  - b. How do you know it will work? How do you know that your organization is the one to make it work?
  - c. What the anticipated cost will be to achieve those results (and how much are you seeking in your grant from the Foundation)?
3. Any other information you think would be important for us to consider.

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Before preparing your letter, **please review the enclosed information** about the Foundation and the Relationship Grant Program. We look forward to receiving your letters as we seek to determine where our Foundation can be most impactful in improving inner-city education in the year ahead.

Sincerely,

**ALBERT W. WALLIS**

Enclosure