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The Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Unveils New Grant Program Designed to Help Inner-City Educators

The Charitable Foundation Awards Its First Community Grant to Save the Harbor/Save the Bay in Boston

Boston, MA, May 23, 2007 – The Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp., a nonprofit, tax-exempt entity established by attorneys from Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels LLP, today announced that it has launched the **Community Grant Program**. Created to support front-line educators who often do not have a voice in funding decisions, the Community Grants subsidize small, concrete projects, which will improve inner-city education in Boston, Hartford, Providence or New York within the coming year. The Foundation will generally consider grant applications monthly and award grants in an amount totaling not more than \$2000 in any one month. The grant applications and an explanation of the program can be found at <http://www.brownrudnickcenter.com/foundation/communitygrant.asp>.

Albert W. Wallis, Executive Director of the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp., said, "The Community Grant Program is a modification of our former Insight/Foresight Grant Program. The new program operates under the premise that those involved on the front-lines of the educational system, below the top management level, often have unique insight into small but significant needs that are often overlooked. With foresight and focus, and a small amount of money, these needs could be addressed immediately to make a positive difference to the community served."

This month, the Foundation awarded its first Community Grant to **Save the Harbor/Save the Bay** for the express purpose of hiring a program assistant for its 2007 Youth Environment Education Program. The new assistant will act as a mentor and instructor for the Boston Harbor Explorers project, a program in which Save the Harbor/Save the Bay collaborates with youth sailing centers across the City of Boston to teach young sailors about the environment. Save the Harbor/Save the Bay is expanding this youth program to two new locations: Courageous Sailing Center's satellite program in Dorchester, and Camp Harborview – the city's new camp for 11–14 year-olds on Long Island in the Boston Harbor Islands Park.

Lauren Thirer, Youth Program Director, Save the Harbor/Save the Bay, commented, "We are committed to ensuring access to Boston Harbor for all citizens, especially our region's youth. There are few free recreational and educational opportunities for youth on the Harbor, and through our Youth Environmental Education Programs, we try to fill the gap."



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Brown Rudnick's Community Grant will allow us continue to offer educational programs that will help students develop marine education skills and foster mentor relationships. We are grateful for the contributions and support of good corporate citizens like Brown Rudnick."

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