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## The Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Awards *Community Grant to* Operation P.E.A.C.E. in Boston, Massachusetts

*Grant will support after-school program for Fenway youth*

**Boston, MA, March 4, 2009** – The Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp., a nonprofit, tax-exempt entity established by attorneys from Brown Rudnick LLP, today announced that it has awarded a *Community Grant to Operation P.E.A.C.E.* in Boston, Massachusetts. The grant will be used specifically to purchase educational materials and classroom supplies for Operation P.E.A.C.E.'s after-school youth center.

Located directly within subsidized housing in the Fenway section of Boston, Operation P.E.A.C.E. works to deliver free education programs to empower low-income families with at-risk youths as well as unemployed residents, new English speakers, and senior citizens living in Boston's culturally diverse Fenway community. The organization's youth center provides Fenway children with caring supervision and educational support, including daily assistance with their homework. The youth program places a strong emphasis on literacy, math, computer technology, leadership development, and the arts. The programs implement core values such as teamwork, respect, responsibility and effective communication.

Operation P.E.A.C.E. Youth Coordinator and grant applicant, Mallory Macdonald, states, "Currently, we do not have adequate educational and artistic tools, and we rely entirely on our youth coordinators to spend their own funds to buy supplies. This grant money will relieve that burden from our staff and will help provide the children with the best possible after-school environment."

Al Wallis, Executive Director of the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp., commented, "I am thrilled that the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation Corp. is able to assist Operation P.E.A.C.E. in making its after-school space more inviting and academically enriching. By making the youth center a better educational space, the children will be in a positive, stimulating environment that will encourage learning even after the regular school day ends."

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 within Boston, Hartford, Providence, New York or Washington DC within the coming year. The Foundation will generally consider grant applications monthly and award



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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>.

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