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REALTORS® CHARITABLE FOUNDATION AWARDS GRANT

Rochester, New York – June 11, 2010 - The REALTORS® Charitable Foundation (RCF), the philanthropic arm of the Greater Rochester Association of REALTORS® (GRAR), announced its most recent grant award of \$5,000 to the Bishop Sheen Ecumenical Housing Foundation, Inc. (Sheen Housing). The money will be used specifically to fund the Emergency Home Repair program, which helps lower income families, seniors, and persons living with disabilities, in order to achieve safe, decent housing.

Representatives from both the RCF and Sheen Housing attended a check presentation ceremony at the offices of the Greater Rochester Association of REALTORS® on June 8.

“We are pleased to support this very worthy program, which provides vital community services to people in need,” stated Cindy B-Rosato, chair of the RCF board of directors.

Sheen Housing Board President Patrick Cusato expressed his appreciation of the award on behalf of the organization. “Given today’s tough economic situation, lower income families are barely keeping their heads above water. They do not have the additional resources to make home repairs and still pay the mortgage, utilities, food, and other household costs.”

“I am particularly proud that this gift will assist so many by creating thriving, sustainable neighborhoods, jobs for local contractors, community revitalization support, and provide better housing in a stronger community,” added Kevin LoCicero, Bishop Sheen board of directors vice president.

Since its inception in 2001, the RCF has awarded over \$430,000 in grants to 35 local non-profit agencies. The organization receives its support from area REALTORS®, the Greater Rochester Association of REALTORS®, proceeds received from the annual RCF Golf Classic held in July, and various other fundraisers.

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