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**DEBARTOLO FAMILY FOUNDATION AWARDS MORE THAN \$64,000
IN FINANCIAL GRANTS TO GRASS ROOTS ORGANIZATIONS**

TAMPA, Fla. (April, 24, 2009) – The DeBartolo Family Foundation announced today it has awarded 10 community organizations more than \$64,000 in grants through the Foundation's community funding program. Established in 2001, the program provides financial support twice annually to non-profit, grass roots organizations, and has given more than \$350,000 to over 50 organizations.

The 2009 DeBartolo Family Foundation Grant recipients are:

- Alliance for Neighbors, Inc.
- Florida's Forgotten Felines
- It's All About Kids, Inc.
- Montana Hope Project
- The Ophelia Project & Boys Initiative
- Prevent Blindness Florida
- Salesian Youth Center/Boys & Girls Club
- Trinity Café
- United Cerebral Palsy of Tampa Bay
- West Pasco Habitat for Humanity

"During these difficult economic times, the organizations the DeBartolo Family Foundation supports need our help more than ever," said Lisa DeBartolo, Executive Vice President of DeBartolo Holdings. "The 10 organizations the grant program will support this year do extraordinary work in their communities and it is our privilege to award them."

About the DeBartolo Family Foundation

The DeBartolo Family Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation created by the members of the Edward J. DeBartolo, Jr. family to benefit local communities. The Foundation annually awards scholarships to high school students, provides grants to individuals and organizations with exceptional requirements, and presents the Spirit of Humanity Award, honoring non-profit, grass roots organizations that provide extraordinary assistance to Tampa Bay residents with special needs. For more information about the DeBartolo Family Foundation, please visit our Website at www.debartolofamilyfoundation.com or call the Foundation office at 813.964.8302.