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**DEBARTOLO FAMILY FOUNDATION AWARDS \$50,000 IN
FINANCIAL GRANTS TO GRASS ROOTS ORGANIZATIONS**

TAMPA, Fla. (September 2, 2009) – The DeBartolo Family Foundation announced today it has awarded 12 community organizations \$50,000 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 \$400,000 to over 60 organizations.

The 2009 DeBartolo Family Foundation Grant recipients are:

- Achievement Academy
- The Crisis Center
- Florida Blood Services Foundation, Inc.
- Florida Holocaust Museum, Inc.
- Hillsborough Education Foundation
- LifeCare of Brandon
- On Our Own
- Rummi, Inc.
- Simply Hop, Inc.
- Smith Salesian Boys & Girls Club of Tampa Bay
- United Methodist Cooperative Ministries/ Suncoast, Inc.
- Hollydog Greyhound Adoption

"These 12 organizations do extraordinary work in their communities and the DeBartolo Family Foundation is excited to support their efforts," said Lisa DeBartolo, Executive Vice President of DeBartolo Holdings.

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.