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**NH Charitable Foundation and NHPR choose
26 groups for “Giving Matters” project**

New Radio Series to Feature Nonprofits Serving Communities in the State

CONCORD, NH (September 17, 2007) – The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation and New Hampshire Public Radio (NHPR) announced today that 26 nonprofit organizations have been selected to participate in the forthcoming *Giving Matters* weekly radio series. The new series is a joint project of the Charitable Foundation and NHPR to showcase the stories of the nonprofit sector and the ways in which nonprofits strengthen communities and enrich lives. *Giving Matters* will air starting later this fall at 8:35 a.m. on Saturday mornings.

The series is a new development in a partnership that has been ongoing for the past five years. During this time, the Charitable Foundation and NHPR have jointly produced short spots highlighting more than 120 charitable groups by featuring first-hand stories of real people whose lives have been touched by nonprofits’ work. *Giving Matters* will offer enhanced, longer segments that permit more detail and more voices in these stories, in a regular weekly format.

“We’re excited to add to our programming and to tell more great nonprofit stories in the state,” said NHPR Program Director Abby Goldstein. “*Giving Matters* is designed to create a deeper awareness of the breadth and impact of the nonprofit sector,” Goldstein added, “We think these representative stories will really resonate with our listeners.”

Deborah Schachter of the Charitable Foundation said, “We are delighted to be working with the station on this project. Nonprofits do exceptional and vital work all across the state. We hope that *Giving Matters* will inspire folks to learn more about charitable groups in their own communities, and will motivate people to become more involved in supporting nonprofit organizations of their choice.”

An advisory committee selected finalists from numerous proposals submitted by NH nonprofits. “It was extremely difficult to select from so many terrific nonprofits with compelling stories,” said Joan Goshgarian of the committee. “Each proposal had its own compelling reasons for selection; I wish we could run them all.”

Groups that will be featured in the first year of the *Giving Matters* series:

Antrim Girls Shelter and School
Area Agency of Greater Nashua
Breathe New Hampshire
Capital Center for the Arts
CATCH Neighborhood Housing
Child Health Services
COVER Home Repair
David's House
Disabilities Rights Center
Exchange City New England
Familystrength
The Friendly Kitchen
Girl Scouts of Swift Water Council
Healthy at Home
Homemakers Health Services
Keystone Hall
Manchester Community Music School
Monadnock Developmental Services
NH Breast Cancer Coalition
NH Historical Society
NH Minority Health Coalition
NH Political Library
Philbrick James Forum
Piscataquog Watershed Association
Seacoast Repertory Theatre
White Birch Community Center

The **New Hampshire Charitable Foundation** has been improving the quality of life in our communities since 1962. It builds and manages a collection of charitable funds, totaling more than \$400 million, created by individuals, families and corporations. The Foundation is also a neutral voice, frequently playing the role of convener and catalyst on a broad spectrum of issues that affect our state. In 2006, the Foundation awarded \$30 million in grants and scholarships. Based in Concord, the Foundation roots itself in communities across the state through seven regions including Lakes, Manchester, Monadnock, Nashua, North Country, Piscataqua and Upper Valley. For more information, visit www.nhcf.org or call 603-225-6641.

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