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Saint Luke's Announces Third Quarter Grants

Projects address wide range of organizational and community needs

CLEVELAND, October 1, 2007 – The Saint Luke's Foundation of Cleveland, Ohio has awarded 11 grants, totaling \$786,333, in its third quarter round of grantmaking. The grants represent programs and initiatives that align in a variety of ways with the Foundation's mission of improving and transforming the health and well-being of individuals, families and communities throughout Greater Cleveland.

Grants awarded include \$255,000 (over three years) to East End Neighborhood House for leadership transition initiatives relating to the retirement of longtime executive director Paul Hill, Jr.; \$100,000 to Eliza Bryant Village for the renovation and expansion of its skilled care and therapy units; and \$100,000 to the Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland in support of its Centennial Initiative, a comprehensive multi-year campaign designed to provide capital and endowment funding to a number of agencies throughout Greater Cleveland. Saint Luke's is specifically supporting the Hebrew Shelter Home, which provides emergency housing, kosher meals, supportive services and a sense of community for Jewish homeless individuals, domestic violence victims and people with physical and/or mental disabilities.

"Our third quarter community grants meet a wide range of community needs," said Denise San Antonio Zeman, president and CEO of the Foundation. "With these grants, we are supporting several capital initiatives, as well as providing resources to several nonprofits undergoing executive leadership change and organization growth due to mergers and increased capacity. Each project represents a 'work in progress' of some sort and we are proud to be a partner in the efforts of these incredible nonprofits. Additionally, our support of the Jewish Community Federation's Centennial Initiative is our way of joining with our philanthropic partners in support of important work in the community," Ms. Zeman added.

Third quarter grants were awarded to the following:

AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland	\$50,000.00	Operating Support
Bellflower Center for Prevention of Child Abuse	\$55,000.00	General Operating Support
Center for Mental Retardation	\$20,000.00	Strategic Planning
Cleveland Department of Public Health	\$18,500.00	The Marathon Program
Eliza Bryant Village	\$100,000.00	Capital Campaign: Renovation and Expansion of Skilled Care and Therapy Units
Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland	\$100,000.00	Hebrew Shelter Home Capital Project
Open Doors, Inc.	\$15,000.00	Evaluation System
Planned Parenthood of Northeast Ohio	\$60,000.00	Making Connections and Telling Our Story: Ensuring Excellence in Information Technology and Communications
Senior Outreach Services, Inc.	\$77,500.00	Construction and Sustainability Planning for Proposed SOS Wellness Center
Vocational Guidance Services	\$35,333.00	Basic Life Skills - Cleveland West Project
East End Neighborhood House	\$255,000.00	Leadership Transition Initiative

About Saint Luke's Foundation of Cleveland, Ohio

Celebrating ten years of grantmaking in the community, Saint Luke's Foundation of Cleveland is a community-based private foundation that collaborates with nonprofit organizations and community leaders to address relevant issues and offer sustainable solutions in Greater Cleveland. The organization's mission is focused on improving the health and well-being of individuals, families, and communities. Since 1997, when the foundation was established with the assets from the sale of the Saint Luke's Medical Center, the Foundation has issued more than \$50 million in grants in Mt. Pleasant, Buckeye-Larchmere, Woodland Hills and other neighborhoods in Greater Cleveland and throughout Northeast Ohio. Additional information on the work of Saint Luke's Foundation is available on the foundation's Web site: www.saintlukesfoundation.org.

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