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NEW HOPE MINISTRIES RECEIVES \$1 MILLION GRANT AND LOCAL STIMULUS FUNDING TO CREATE JOBS FOR NEW CENTER

MECHANICSBURG, PA (November 25, 2009) – New Hope Ministries received a \$1 million matching grant from the Donald B. and Dorothy L. Stabler Foundation after raising more than \$630,000 in financial and in-kind gifts from the community, including stimulus funding to create jobs for renovation projects at the newly acquired building located in Mechanicsburg, PA. The facility, located at 5228 E. Trindle Road, was officially purchased on Tuesday, November 24, 2009, and renovations are underway.

“Despite the huge needs faced by people in our community dealing with unemployment and financial struggles, New Hope has much to be thankful for this Thanksgiving season,” said Eric Saunders, Executive Director of New Hope Ministries. “We are so grateful that our community has come through with their gifts and help to make New Hope’s new food pantry a reality.”

Through its crisis assistance program, New Hope provides food for the hungry, help with transportation so clients can obtain and maintain a job, referral to public assistance programs and agencies, assistance to the uninsured for medical care and prescriptions, financial assistance for heat and utilities, and rent or mortgage assistance to avoid eviction and foreclosure. New Hope also offers after-school and summer programs to underprivileged youth.

The new center is scheduled to open in March 2010, and will replace New Hope’s current Mechanicsburg West Shore Center located on State Road in Mechanicsburg.

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New Hope Ministries is a community-based, Christian, social service agency that shows the love and hope of Christ by meeting the needs of low income families and individuals through our crisis assistance centers in Dillsburg, Dover and Mechanicsburg/West Shore. New Hope provides help with food, housing, utility, transportation needs, and medical care to over 5,000 individuals from 2,000 different families every year. As New Hope meets the urgent needs of clients in crisis, they also endeavor to counsel them towards long-term stability. In addition, New Hope provides structured children and youth programs for underprivileged youth to help them learn educational and life skills in order to prepare them for success in school and life. To learn more about how New Hope Ministries helps our neighbors in need, visit www.nhm-pa.org.