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Building Better Communities with Solid Financial Foundations

ACCC issues a grant to support Chelsea Neighborhood Developers

August 25, 2007 – Newton, MA – American Consumer Credit Counseling (ACCC), a non-profit organization, enhances financial literacy throughout the Greater Boston area with their Partnership for Advancement of Financial Literacy (P.A.L.) program. ACCC awards grants, through the P.A.L. program, to organizations that have joined the effort to support and promote financial literacy. Today, they award Chelsea Neighborhood Developers with \$5,000.00.

Chelsea Neighborhood Developers is a non-profit community development corporation that is revitalizing Chelsea, Massachusetts. They seek to foster improvements in the city's diverse and evolving neighborhoods by developing affordable and mixed-income housing, creating desirable public spaces, and building resident prosperity and leadership. Chelsea Neighborhood Developers is one of the 200-plus nationwide organizations that make up NeighborWorks America.

In addition to financial support, ACCC provides financial resources including guest teachers. Throughout the fall, Chelsea Neighborhood Developers will hold financial empowerment classes, which will host ACCC outreach representatives. Lessons will include basic financial planning & money management, taxes & insurance, saving & investing, credit, and banking. Carol Rijo accepted the grant on behalf of Chelsea Neighborhood Developers, and had this to say: "This donation and ACCC's presence will really help us get the financial empowerment classes up and running." With this partnership and the \$5,000.00 donation, ACCC and Chelsea Neighborhood Developers can truly help improve their community.

ABOUT ACCC: American Consumer Credit Counseling (ACCC) is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization dedicated to empowering consumers to regain control of their lives through education, counseling and debt management. ACCC provides individuals with practical solutions for solving financial problems and recognizes that consumers' financial difficulties are often not the result of poor spending habits, but more frequently from extenuating circumstances beyond their control. As one of the nation's leading providers of financial education and credit counseling services, ACCC works with consumers to help them with the best plan of action to reduce their debt and regain financial stability. For more information or to access free financial education resources log on to www.consumercredit.com.