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## **CENTER FOR LITERACY RECEIVES \$35,000 GRANT TO STRENGTHEN ITS SERVICES**

**Philadelphia, PA, March 20, 2009:** The Center for Literacy received a \$35,000 grant from The Philadelphia Foundation to support its general operations. The grant is being awarded from the Thomas G. Ashworth Memorial Fund, Brodsky Family Fund, Malinda R. Farrow Fund, and the Jane Ann Krause Trust. R. Andrew Swinney, president of the foundation, whose board of managers approved the grant on March 3, 2009, made announcement of the grant.

JoAnn Weinberger, executive director of the Center for Literacy, said the funds would be used for building capacity, strengthening programs, and other general program support. “The generosity of The Philadelphia Foundation will help us to continue providing the services that have enabled countless individuals to go on to lead fulfilling and productive lives,” said Weinberger.

The Center for Literacy is Pennsylvania's oldest and the nation's largest community-based adult literacy organization, serving almost 5,000 students in more than 100 locations throughout Philadelphia and Delaware counties.

The Philadelphia Foundation, a public charity, is Southeastern Pennsylvania's leading center for community philanthropic engagement and is committed to improving the quality of life in Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia counties through funds established by its donors. The mission of The Philadelphia Foundation is as vital now as it was in 1918 when it was first established. Today, with more than \$325 million in charitable assets under management, The Philadelphia Foundation continues to help donors harness their generosity and vision by providing tools, knowledge, and financial stewardship directed to maximize the strategic impact of charitable contributions. Grants from more than 750 charitable funds strengthen the effectiveness of nonprofits and support programs that are vital to the people of this region.

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