

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### ***Nazareth Housing Awarded Grant from Jim Jacobs Charitable Foundation***

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Nazareth Housing is pleased to announce a \$20,000 grant from the Jim Jacobs Charitable Foundation, Inc. in support of their Furniture Donation Service (FDS). This unique program links high quality donated furniture to low income families who must decide between rent, food or furniture for their family. The funding received from JJCF provides sustainable support to a much needed service. Nazareth Housing is the only nonprofit in New York City that that accepts donations of new and used furniture and household items for direct distribution to households in need.

Nazareth Housing's FDS provides a variety of items to families facing hardships, including bedroom items, tables and chairs, lamps, sofas, kitchenware and linens at no cost to the recipient. The grant provides partial support for the expense of staff to maintain the program, and partial expenses involved in maintaining the delivery vehicle and travelling to retrieve and deliver the requested items.

In 2011, more than 300 items were supplied to households in urgent need through the Furniture Donation program.

For more information on Furniture Delivery Services visit our Services page at [www.nazarethhousingnyc.org](http://www.nazarethhousingnyc.org) or contact Melisa Beniquez, FDS Coordinator, at 212-982-7800 x 15.

### **About Nazareth Housing:**

Nazareth Housing is a 501(c)(3), not-for-profit, non-sectarian organization with a long and proud history of innovation and advocacy. Nazareth Housing was founded in 1983 as a pioneer in the development of scattered-site emergency family shelter for homeless families. NH operates in the Lower East Side with 13 units of housing for up to 64 children and adults, and in Harlem with 66 units that can accommodate 230 family members. NH has been one of the top performing family shelters among the NYC Department of Homeless Services shelter providers for the past six years and has served over 10,500 unduplicated households since 2006.

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