



**Mission Statement** The Notre Dame Education Center is *“A Place of Hope.”* People from the diverse neighborhoods and cultures of the city come here to initiate or to continue their education. As part of their learning, they will participate in the development of the Center as a place where family values are strengthened, community building fostered, and diversity respected and celebrated.



# Hope Alive!



Mr. Charles R. Shediak

## A Message from our Board Chairman

Dear Friends,

First, thank you for your gift of hope and for believing in the mission of Notre Dame Education Center. Most importantly, thank you for helping our students gain their independence through education.

I know that you have several choices regarding where and how you align yourself philanthropically with organizations such as NDEC and I'm pleased that you have chosen to support us in our mission.

Please allow me to share with you some examples of how your gift has enhanced the lives of our students.

Ms. Tatiyana Pavlova, an evening student, obtained an internship at YMCA Training, Inc. which led to her earning a full-time position in their accounting department.

Your gift of love and support helped Armani Steele, who came from living in a homeless shelter with her family, find herself in art class in our High School Diploma Program. She went on to achieve a full scholarship to the Massachusetts College of Art where she is now pursuing her dream of being able to extend beyond her previous circumstances.

Your support of adult education, with continued gifts to our annual fund, helped Lula Mae Johnson, 68 years of age, to believe in herself. She refused to settle for a G.E.D. and successfully completed our Adult Diploma Program to become the oldest Boston high school graduate. Lula is now pursuing her dream of becoming a lawyer while attending UMass Boston.

Your support of our immigrant students, assisting them to assimilate into our society and become productive workers, has enabled their families and themselves to become independent earners. Your kind support of our endeavors has helped us lead 35 students to become "New Americans" in 2008.

Please be assured that 100% of your gift is being used to pay the cost of maintaining and growing our programs. Thanks to your generosity, kindness and desire to help others become independent and productive members of our community, Notre Dame Education Center continues to be "A Place of Hope". You make a world of difference to our students!

Many thanks,

Mr. Charles R. Shediak  
Chairman

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**On the cover - Top:** Tracy Situ & Amie Cressman **Middle:** (L-R)Sr. Jane McAndrews, Philisia Mertelus, Fey Mohamed, & Fey's children **Bottom:** Lula Mae Johnson

## Financial Highlights

Years Ended June 30th

<b>Revenue</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
Grants and contracts	\$ 849,255	\$ 785,436
Tuition and fees	\$ 17,005	\$ 6,425
Donations	\$ 71,857	\$ 68,349
Other	\$ 7,810	\$ 229
Investment income	\$ 32,362	\$ 74,756
Total Support and Revenue	\$ 978,289	\$ 935,195
Sale of building and equipment		\$6,069,739
Total Revenue and Building Sale	\$ 978,289	\$7,004,934
<b>Expenses</b>		
Academic programs	\$1,008,505	\$1,028,775
General and Administrative	\$ 251,360	\$ 235,815
Rental expenses	\$ 46,588	\$ 10,048
Unrealized losses		\$ 12,296
Federal Income Tax		\$ 24,029
Total Expenses	\$1,306,453	\$1,310,963
<b>Changes in Net Assets</b>		
Net Assets July 1st	\$ 719,280	\$ 391,116
Net Assets June 30th	\$ 391,116	\$6,085,087

## Save the Date! Hope Alive! Fundraiser

April 16, 2009

Lantana's in Randolph  
5:30 Cocktails, 6:45 Dinner

**Honorary Chairpersons:**  
The Honorable Mayor Menino  
& Mrs. Angela Menino  
**MC:** Peter Mehegan  
**Guest Speaker:**  
Liz Walker

## Giving Levels

- St. Julie Billiard Circle** - \$10,000 & up
- Visionary Circle** - \$5,000 to \$9,999
- Hope Circle** - \$2,500 to \$4,999
- Literacy Circle** - \$1,000 to \$2,499
- Leaders Circle** - \$500 to \$999
- Directors Circle** - \$250 to \$499
- Educators Circle** - \$100 to \$249
- Sustainers Circle** - \$50 to \$99
- Friends Circle** - up to \$49

## Educational Programs & Services

**Literacy** - Three levels of adult education in reading, writing, math, and computer classes. Two alternative diploma programs are offered: GED and ADP.

**General Education Development (GED)** - An intensive academic program in language arts (reading and writing), math, science and social studies that prepares learners for the high school equivalency examination.

**Adult Diploma Program (ADP)** - A project-based program in which graduates receive a diploma from Boston Public Schools.

**High School Diploma** - Program designed for young adults (16 to 23) to complete credits for a high school diploma.

### English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

- Four levels of English language classes for immigrants in listening, speaking, reading and writing.

**Distance Learning** - Internet based instruction in reading, writing and listening skills for ESOL learners.

**Additional Services** - Computer Training, Job Counseling, Case Management, Citizenship Preparation, Volunteer tutors, Cyber Café for local senior citizens.



**Above:** Sister Mary Mulligan SND, Literacy Coordinator (R) and September 2008 graduate Anica Rosa (L)

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