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CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK
FOURTH ANNUAL ARCHBISHOP'S GALA
A CELEBRATION TO PROVIDE HELP & CREATE HOPE

Newark, NJ, Friday, March 27, 2009 - Archbishop John Joseph Myers together with Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark will hold its Fourth Annual Gala celebration on Tuesday, May 5th 2009. The celebration will be held at Nanina's in the Park, Belleville, N.J. Proceeds from the Gala go to support the programs and services of Catholic Charities, Mount Carmel Guild Behavioral Health and Mount Carmel Guild Schools of the Archdiocese of Newark.

This year, Catholic Charities' honoree for the *Humanitarian of the Year Award* is Slavco Madzarov of Clifton, New Jersey. Mr. Madzarov, President & Chief Executive Officer of Slavco Construction, Inc. has been recognized as one of the most respected construction professionals in the State of New Jersey. In the face of adversity, Mr. Madzarov left his home in Miraqvi, Macedonia, in pursuit of the Great American Dream. Although a successful businessman, he never lost sight of his humble beginnings, and is committed to helping those less fortunate. Through charitable acts and contributions he has made a significant impact to Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark.

Along with the Humanitarian of the Year Award, Archbishop Myers will present the "*Spirit of the Heart Award*" to individuals who, through hard work and perseverance, have benefited from the programs that Catholic Charities and its Affiliates offers. This award will recognize those individuals who have succeeded to improve their life through commitment and perseverance.

Dr. Phillip Frese, President & Chief Executive Officer of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark said, "We are proud to honor Slavco Madzarov as the Humanitarian of the Year. Slavco is a perfect example of a successful businessman. He did it the old fashioned way, through a diligent work ethic and strong faith in God and himself. Slavco has always given back to his community, both here in the United States and Macedonia. Success has not gone to his head, but to his heart."

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark is a non-sectarian, not-for-profit social service agency of the Roman Catholic Church within the Archdiocese of Newark. As one of New Jersey's oldest and largest Agencies, Catholic Charities serves approximately 69,000 individuals and families each year who need assistance, and provides a greater sense of self worth and dignity. This mission

is pursued through a network of caring, effective, and well-managed social service professionals within the four counties served by the Archdiocese: Bergen, Essex, Hudson and Union. The organization focuses on strengthening and preserving family life while restoring the dignity of each individual. The programs provide shelters for the homeless, food to the impoverished; care for the elderly and mentally ill, and education to children with developmental disabilities. Catholic Charities is a Ministry of the Church, a concrete illustration of the Church's commitment to ease suffering and bring social justice and hope to all, without regard to religion, race or culture.

For information about attending the Gala or sponsorship opportunities, please contact Catholic Charities Development Office at (973) 639-6531.



Dr. Phil Frese, President & CEO
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark

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Mr. Slavco Madzarov, President & CEO
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2009 Humanitarian of the Year Honoree