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CARITAS TELETHON 2009

April is Caritas Telethon Month - This spring Caritas Project in partnership with TLN Teletatino will launch its most important fundraiser and awareness event of the year. The **Caritas 15th Annual Telethon** will be airing on **TLN Television** throughout the month of April with its Grand Finale scheduled to air on Sunday April 26, 2009 at 6:00 pm ET.

Caritas, also known as *a school of life*, is a registered charity with a specific focus on addiction recovery and substance abuse education. Caritas is well known for its long-term 25-month residential program, which provides addicts with an opportunity to restructure their lives and re-enter the community and workforce. Open to all walks of life, Caritas uses a multi-dimensional approach known as the Therapeutic Community by combining the structure of family and community, physical labour (work therapy including farm work), education and spirituality to help the dependant individual re-adjust to life. Caritas' graduates leave the program with a new appreciation for life and the ability to overcome its obstacles...without a crutch.

Caritas Project grew from a telephone call that a distressed mother made to Father Gianni Carparelli in 1980 seeking help for her son. From that call, like from a small seed, grew Caritas. Today, Caritas operates as a registered charity, partially funded by the Ministry of Health and continues to sustain the majority of its work relying on public donations and community volunteerism.

We are appealing for everyone's support, both financially and morally, so we can continue and sustain our work. Remember, your contribution is far greater than its financial value, it also speaks to a position that you have taken in supporting life and sharing the responsibility of dealing with the root of human problems. Donations can be made on-line at www.caritas.ca or by calling 1-800-201-8138.

**CARITAS 15TH ANNUAL
TELETHON SHOWTIMES
ON TLN TELEVISION:**

- Saturday April 4, 2009 at 9:30pm ET
- Sunday April 5, 2009 at 6:00 pm ET
- Tuesday April 7, 2009 at 8:30 pm ET
- Sunday April 12, 2009 at 5:00 pm ET
- Saturday April 18, 2009 at 9:30 pm ET
- Sunday April 19, 2009 at 6:30 pm ET
- Tuesday April 21, 2009 at 8:30 pm ET
- Sunday April 26, 2009 GRAND FINALE at 6:00 pm ET

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