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**Guizzetti Developments Donates \$50K to Yellow Brick House**

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**(RICHMOND HILL, ON: February 9, 2011)** Yellow Brick House, along with Stefano Guizzetti, today announced a significant step forward in the organization's *Second Shelter, Second Chances* Capital Campaign with Guizzetti Development's generous contribution of fifty-thousand dollars.

"I am very grateful for the ability to develop in the Town of Richmond Hill, and it is through this ability that I can stand here today and give back to the community," said Stefano Guizzetti, President of Guizzetti Developments Inc. "Yellow Brick House is a terrific vehicle for women and children, it allows them a safe place to deal with physical and mental abuse," he added.

After presenting Yellow Brick House with a most generous gift of \$50,000, Capital Campaign Chair, Vivian Risi spoke to the incredible support of Guizzetti Developments Inc. "Raising \$4 million for a second shelter is a monumental task, and we couldn't do this without the support of people like Stephano Guizzetti. With this gift we really can give these women and children a second chance."

"With this contribution, the Guizzetti family is helping to create life-saving opportunities for the women and children who need the support of Yellow Brick House," added Lorris Herenda, Executive Director of Yellow Brick House. "This generosity is symbolic of the strong community and character of Richmond Hill and speaks volumes to the support of local businesses and Town Counselors."

The **Yellow Brick House Capital Campaign, *Second Shelter, Second Chances***, will raise four million dollars to build a second emergency shelter for women and children who are victims of abuse and violence. The shelter will be located in the southern part of York Region where shelter beds and supportive services are virtually non-existent. Yellow Brick House provided shelter and support to over 4500 women and children last year, and still 598 women and children could not be accommodated due to lack of space.

**About Yellow Brick House**

Yellow Brick House, a nonprofit organization, provides emergency shelter, counselling and supportive services to abused women and their children in York Region. To learn more about Yellow Brick House and the organization's Capital Campaign, please visit the web site [www.yellowbrickhouse.org](http://www.yellowbrickhouse.org)

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