

Our Major Achievements of FY 2009

Fiscal 2009 was a year of record-setting performance for Inspiration Corporation:

- The Housing Program placed 107 long-time homeless individuals and families into subsidized apartments through our Rental Housing Support Program partnership with the City of Chicago.
- Cafe Too and The Employment Project placed 126 men and women into jobs and 58 people into further education and training opportunities.
- Cafe Too earned \$196,487 or 102% of its annual sales goal.
- Community Voice Mail served 1,523 homeless and phoneless individuals.
- The Meals Program served 35,575 nutritious meals at Inspiration Cafe and The Living Room Cafe.
- The Supportive Services team assisted 665 people through Open Case Management and processed \$182,500 in State of Illinois eviction prevention grants.
- In total, all of our programs provided direct support grants of \$184,540 to our participants for a wide array of emergency and transitional needs.
- We engaged more than 1,500 volunteers in our Meals Program and The Employment Project.
- We won the “Best Financial Management Award” from the Greater Chicago Food Depository in September 2008.
- We introduced *HR Online*, an interactive human resources system that gives our employees a wealth of tools, information and support.
- We raised \$1,424,115 in private donations, or 102% of our goal, despite a weak economy.
- Inspiration Corporation was featured in a nationally televised commercial and print ad campaign sponsored by True North Snacks.
- We completed the bulk of the preparatory work for the Catalyst Campaign and secured commitments for 75% of the capital campaign’s \$6 million goal.

Thank you to our volunteers and supporters for making all of this possible with your generous contributions of time, talent and financial support!