



MHSA Honors Anne and Marc Margulies with Local Homeless Advocacy Award

Inaugural MHSA Bob Ray Partnership Award Honors Advocate's Legacy



BOSTON, Mass. – May 2, 2008 – The Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance (MHSA) announced today that Marc Margulies, AIA and his wife Anne are the recipients of the inaugural MHSA Bob Ray Partnership Award, an annual homeless advocacy award given by MHSA.

The award honors Anne and Marc Margulies' commitment to ending homelessness. It is named after the late Bob Ray, whose legacy of generosity demonstrates the impact that volunteers from the private sector can have in ending homelessness. Anne Margulies, Assistant Secretary for Technology and Chief Information Officer of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and Marc Margulies, founder and Principal at Margulies & Associates, have together been actively involved in the struggle to end homelessness for 15 years.

In their capacity as volunteers and leaders, Anne and Marc have led new and innovative initiatives with the sole goal of ending homelessness. They both serve on the Board of Directors of Shelter Inc., which strives to end homelessness in Greater Boston by providing housing in conjunction with effective support services to help change the conditions that create homelessness. Their generosity and commitment to the cause demonstrate the impact that individuals can have in the fight to end homelessness.

"What makes Anne and Marc Margulies unique is that rather than just make a donation, they also give generously of their competencies, skills and experience to advance the goal of ending

homelessness,” said MHSA Executive Director, Joe Finn. “They draw upon their backgrounds in architecture, policy and communications to forward an approach to ending homelessness that moves beyond an emergency shelter response and toward a permanent solution. We are thrilled to honor them in the presence of MHSA members, friends, industry leaders, and government officials.”

This is the inaugural year of the Bob Ray Partnership Award, previously titled the MHSA Partnership Award. Past recipients include Thomas L. Collins, Executive Managing Director at Cushman & Wakefield of Massachusetts, and Jerry Rappaport, Jr., President and CEO of New Boston Fund, Inc. The Margulies’ will receive their award during MHSA’s fifth annual awards and fundraising event, *Home for Good: Join the Housing Revolution*, on Wednesday, May 21, 2008 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Omni Parker House, 60 School Street, Boston.

For ticket or sponsorship inquiries, please contact Erin Donohue at edonohue@mhsa.net or (617) 367-6447 x25.

About Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance

The Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance was established in 1988 by Greater Boston homeless providers and citizens seeking to create a coordinated strategy to end homelessness. MHSA represents 88 community-based agencies operating more than 250 programs statewide that serve over 98% of all homeless individuals in Massachusetts. Through strategic partnerships formed with government, private philanthropy, service providers, homeless individuals, and business, MHSA works to ensure that homelessness does not become a permanent part of the social landscape. For more information, visit www.mhsa.net.

About Margulies & Associates

Now in its 20th year of operation, Margulies & Associates is a Boston design firm providing architecture and interior design services to the corporate, institutional, and real estate communities. Consistently ranked as one of Boston’s top architectural and interior design firms, the firm’s clients include Manulife/John Hancock, Nuvera Fuel Cells, Covidien, Partners Healthcare, Massachusetts General Hospital, Hobbs Brook Management and Forrester Research. For more information, please visit www.margulies.com.

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