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**KEY FOUNDATION GIVES SUPPORT TO A THERAPEUTIC GYM AND  
PLAYGROUND FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES**

February 10, 2009, Wappingers Falls, NY – KeyBank presented Abilities First with \$3,000 from the Key Foundation in support of the organization’s campaign to construct a therapeutic gym and playground for children with disabilities. The check was presented at a ribbon cutting ceremony celebrating the opening of the new site for Abilities First’s Preschool and Medical Rehabilitation Clinic where the gym and playground will be built.

The therapeutic gym will provide the means for children with disabilities to receive the Occupational, Physical, Speech and Sensory therapies and support needed to help them achieve the highest level of functioning possible. The playground, adapted for children with disabilities, will allow the 35 preschool aged children at the site a much needed area for outdoor play.

“Providing today’s kids with opportunities to gain confidence and achieve all that is possible is critical to building strong communities,” said Bob Bazargan, relationship manager, Business Banking, KeyBank. “That is why we are so proud to support the construction of the Therapeutic Gym, because the well being of those we serve extends far beyond their financial health, especially when there are great obstacles to overcome.”

Key Foundation supports programs and organizations that promote economic self-sufficiency, in

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particular financial education and workforce development initiatives, in a diverse and inclusive environment. In 2008, the Foundation made grants totaling \$12.5 million to organizations throughout its footprint, which stretches from Maine to Alaska. Key Foundation is a private Foundation funded by KeyBank.

Abilities First, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that provides a wide range of educational, vocational, residential and clinical programs and services to over 2,000 people with disabilities of all ages and their families, in the Mid Hudson Valley region of NY.

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