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**URBAN FAMILY COUNCIL SILENT AUCTION: A FAR FROM QUIET EVENT**

**Supporters Invited to Witness the Organization's Growth over the Past Year**

Thursday, March 27, 2008 will mark Urban Family Council's (UFC) first annual Silent Auction event to be held at the annual Spring Fundraising Banquet. Presidential Caterers, located near the Plymouth Meeting Mall in East Norriton, will house over two hundred guests eager to "silently" bid on high quality items to support the work that benefits the children and families we serve through our educational programs. This event will raise awareness of the changes UFC is currently undergoing including its move to Parkside Avenue, in West Philadelphia. The auction begins at 6pm sharp and will be followed by the banquet program.

Auction items include weekend getaways, Philadelphia professional sports tickets and memorabilia, and much more. The theme of the event, "Urban Family Council: Making a Difference," honors the staff, volunteers, and donors that comprise the UFC family. The program will include keynote speeches and testimonials from UFC educators. UFC President, Chris Pender, whose passion drives the organization to reach new heights, will be giving his first speech as president of UFC. Guests will learn about the new programs UFC offers including HOPE (Helping Ex-offenders Prepare Effectively), and be updated on the success of current programs like our summer camp, HYPE (Helping Youth Prepare Effectively).

Urban Family Council is non-profit organization that exists to build healthy families by providing education about, and advocating for, life, marriage, and family. We offer a range of age-appropriate educational programs for youth, grades K-12, college-aged young adults, and parents. Our educators cater to the needs of the schools, churches, and organizations we partner with. Whether it is relationship, leadership and parenting education, specialized services, summer camps or special events, UFC is available to make a difference in the lives of the community members of Philadelphia.

If you would like to donate an item to the Silent Auction Event, or to set up an appointment with Urban Family Council to meet with your school, church, or business, please call 215-879-2485 today for more information.

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