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### **Containers to Clinics Accepted into IBM Charitable Gift Program**

*Clinic to benefit from company's Employee Charitable Contribution Campaign*

**Dover, Mass. – December 9, 2010 –** [Containers to Clinics](#) (C2C), a nonprofit initiative that seeks to build health care infrastructure in developing countries through converted shipping container clinics, today announced that they have been selected as one of IBM's charities to receive fundraising support from the company's Employee Charitable Contribution Campaign (ECCC). Since 1978, the ECCC has offered IBM employees nationwide the opportunity to contribute to the communities where they live and work and participate in improving the lives of others worldwide.

"After 2 years of planning and assembling a team of international health and development experts, our pilot clinic is now fully operational in Port-au-Prince, Haiti bringing essential, yet basic, medical care and attention to the victims of this year's devastating earthquake," said Elizabeth Sheehan, founder and president of C2C. "We are honored to be accepted into IBM's ECCC program whose funding will only help us save the lives of many people who otherwise would not have access to proper medical care at a time when it's most needed."

Each year, IBM employees and retirees are asked to consider a financial contribution to the ECCC workplace campaign, as well as to consider volunteering time to a not-for-profit organization. Since its inception, IBM employees have contributed over \$817 million to more than 4,000 501(c)3 non-for-profit agencies over the past 32 years helping to improve the lives of those in need. These organizations offer a wide array of services, including environmental, cultural, child care, substance abuse, health and medical care, hunger and homelessness, illiteracy, physical and developmental disabilities, care for the elderly and disaster relief.

C2C's clinic, which is located on the grounds of Grace Children's Hospital in Port-au-Prince, will offer a dignified, secure and clean space for patients to be tested and treated for their primary care needs. The clinic's services will include health screenings, vaccinations, pre- and post-natal care, prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV/AIDS, post-partum and newborn care, infectious disease testing and treatment, nutrition counseling and health-education classes.

### **About Containers to Clinics**

Containers to Clinics ([www.containers2clinics.org](http://www.containers2clinics.org)), driven by the belief that basic health interventions can save the lives of millions in the developing world, has developed a new clinical

model for health service delivery. C2C retrofits portable shipping containers into health clinics designed with diagnostic, lighting and climate-control technologies appropriate for low-resource settings. The clinics are transported to underserved areas of the developing world to administer primary healthcare to women and children. Its pilot clinic in Port-au-Prince, Haiti was successfully opened in November 2010.

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