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**Communication Workers of America
Local 1298 of Southern Connecticut
Selects STAR, Inc., Lighting the Way... for Donation**

December 2, 2009: STAR, Inc., Lighting the Way... was selected as the recipient of a \$1,000 donation from the Community Services Fund of the Communication Workers of America-Southern Connecticut chapter. The chapter, which includes employees from AT&T telephone networking and communication services, has existed in Southern Connecticut since the Telephone Pioneers of America, back in the 1930s.

The group selected STAR, Inc., Lighting the Way... because of their work with individuals with developmental disabilities throughout Southern Connecticut. "We see the important work they do in this community and we wanted to demonstrate our support," said John Allcock, a member of the group. Chairman Carmen Febles explained that the group votes on recipients for donations from the Community Services Fund. "We tend to agree on the selections," she explained.

STAR, Inc., Lighting the Way is a not-for-profit organization serving individuals of all ages with developmental disabilities, as well as providing support services to their families. STAR provides a wide range of programs and services to more than 500 children and adults with developmental disabilities, including Recreational Programs, Day Programs, Job Training and Placement, Social Services and Advocacy. STAR creates opportunities for individuals to live full lives with independence, freedom of choice and personal growth by providing support, services and advocacy. We inform and encourage the community to recognize and appreciate the value of all individuals.

For information about opportunities to contribute to STAR, contact Megan Johnson at (203) 846-9581 ext. 339. Or visit STAR's website at <http://www.starinc-lightingtheway.org>.



PHOTO: Individuals from the Communications Workers of America (Southern Connecticut chapter) include Brian LeBlanc, Jason Procaccini, Carmen Febles, Victor Ramos and John Allcock (not pictured).

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