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2007 Chicago Film Festival Honors Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's *Libraries for Life - Building Communities, Enriching Lives* Fundraising DVD

(PITTSBURGH, PA – November 14, 2007) The International Communication Video & Interactive Media Competition (INTERCOM) awarded Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's *Libraries for LIFE - Building Communities, Enriching Lives* DVD with a Gold Plaque at the 2007 Chicago Film Festival. The eight-minute DVD was recognized as a leading educational video in the competition's fundraising category. Narrated by PBS documentary filmmaker Rick Sebak and produced by Pittsburgh-based Argentine Productions, the video captures Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's importance to the community through the eyes of library customers and staff.

Libraries for LIFE - Building Communities, Enriching Lives supports Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's \$55 million capital campaign, which began on January 1, 2001 and will continue through December 31, 2008. The goal of the campaign is to update aging library buildings and to ensure that Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh remains a valuable asset to future generations. To date, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh has renovated or relocated six neighborhood locations and completed a partial renovation of the first floor of the Main Library in Oakland. The renovations provided much needed climate control systems, handicapped accessibility and modern technological infrastructures.

The Chicago International Film Festival is the oldest international competitive film festival in North America. Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh's *Libraries for LIFE - Building Communities, Enriching Lives* video can be viewed at <http://www.carnegielibrary.org/about/cip/>

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About Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh *Building Communities, Enriching Lives*

Established as a public trust in 1895, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh serves the citizens of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County with a distinguished history of leadership among the country's great public libraries. Through its 19 neighborhood locations, including Main Library and the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh is the region's most visited asset. Each year the Library provides more than 8,000 free programs, classes and other learning and training opportunities that are tailored to meet the dynamic and diverse needs of people living in Western Pennsylvania.