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### Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation Awards \$100,000 Grant to Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center Building Project

The Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center (IHMEC) is proud to announce receipt of a \$100,000 grant from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation (ICECF) to help facilitate the building of an environmentally-friendly Museum.

In its quest to become a "LEED Certified" (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) building, IHMEC applied for and received this initial grant designed to assist with the purchase and installation of energy-efficient systems and equipment within the new Museum.

"We truly appreciate the confidence of the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation in our project and look forward to bringing to the community a facility dedicated not only to promoting understanding for humankind, but also respect for the environment that sustains us all," stated Richard S. Hirschhaut, IHMEC Project and Executive Director.

The new Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center will be a 64,000 square foot structure featuring permanent exhibition space, classrooms, conference facilities, a 270-seat auditorium, special exhibition space, and a permanent Children's Exhibition. Slated to open in early 2008, the new Museum will be located near Golf Road in Skokie, just west of the Edens Expressway.