

Accountants sharing and giving this Christmas

Bridgetown, Barbados, December 17, 2009 – The Child Care Board was made the recipient of 12 boxes of dried and canned foods and \$500 in cash thanks to the generosity of the membership of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Barbados (ICAB).

Through a food drive taken up during the recently concluded Accountants Week, ICAB was able to amass the goods from among its members and make the donation to at the Bridgetown headquarters of the social agency in time to ensure that residents of Sterling Children’s Home in St Philip, and many needy families with children who are clients of the Child Care Board, had enjoyable Christmas Day meals.

Speaking during the recent donation, President of ICAB Mr Rueben Blenman said the Council and membership of ICAB recognized that children were the future of this country and they wanted to be able to support them in all ways possible. He noted that accountants were members of society too and this donation was an opportunity for ICAB’s members to demonstrate a degree of social responsibility by sharing and giving. He added that this complemented ICAB’s commitment to knowledge sharing through public education outreach activities where topics were presented to the general public to assist them in making smart financial decisions.

Director of the Child Care Board Ms Joan Crawford said ICAB’s donation was definitely welcomed at this time of year and the board was thankful for any donation that assisted it in its work. She pointed out that beyond children in the homes, or foster care, there were young clients of the board whose parents or guardians could not afford any extras at this time of year and so they were very appreciative of the food and gift hampers that the board was able to distribute in the weeks leading up to Christmas.