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**OFFICE DEPOT TO CELEBRATE OPENING OF FIRST STORE
IN WEST SENECA, N.Y., WITH FEBRUARY 21 RIBBON-CUTTING
CEREMONY**

*Event to Include Donations to Child & Family Services,
Suburban Adult Services Inc. and West Seneca Teacher's Association;
Remarks by Local Business and Government Officials*

West Seneca, N.Y., February 18 – Office Depot (NYSE: ODP), a leading global provider of office products and services, announced today that the Company will celebrate the opening of its first store in West Seneca on Thursday, February 21, 2008, at 2:00 p.m. The store is located at 3525 Seneca Street in the Seneca Ridge Shopping Center.

During the ribbon-cutting ceremony, the Office Depot Foundation will make \$500 contributions and donate a number of new children's backpacks to three local non-profit organizations: Child & Family Services, Suburban Adult Services Inc. and West Seneca Teacher's Association. In addition, Councilwoman Christina Bove and Carol Dill, Administrative Director, West Seneca Chamber of Commerce, will offer welcoming remarks. The public is invited to attend the event.

About the New Office Depot Store in West Seneca

According to Store Manager Dave Roche, the new West Seneca store features Office Depot's industry-leading M2 retail format. M2 offers customers the most enjoyable shopping experience in the industry – in a format that is intuitive, logical and designed specifically for the way people make purchase decisions.

Products are grouped in highly visible, strategically located "pods," with core supplies at the outer perimeter of the store – signed for optimal visibility and easy purchase – and furniture and technology at the center – to better support consultative sales.

The new Office Depot store employs approximately 20 full- and part-time associates. It houses more than 7,500 technology, furniture and supply products as well as Design, Print and Ship services in 21,582 square feet of customer space.

Store hours are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The telephone number for the store is 716-677-2353.

About the Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony

Special guests scheduled to participate in the February 21 ribbon-cutting include:

Non-Profit Organization Representatives:

- Susan Siwiec, Chief Development Officer, Child & Family Services
- Brian LaValley, Director of Public Relations, Child & Family Services
- Tom Becker, Executive Director, Suburban Adult Services Inc.
- Lynn Kelly, Fund Development Coordinator, Suburban Adult Services Inc.
- Chris Galley, Treasurer, West Seneca Teacher's Association
- Joseph Cantafio, First Vice President, West Seneca Teacher's Association

West Seneca City Official:

- Councilwoman Christina Bove

West Seneca Chamber of Commerce Representative:

- Carol Dill, Administrative Director

“Office Depot is strongly committed to enhancing the quality of life in the communities in which our company conducts business,” said Roche. “We are excited to open our first store in West Seneca and to assist these critically important non-profit organizations in their efforts to make a meaningful difference in the lives of children and families in this area.”

The backpack donations are part of the Office Depot Foundation National Backpack Program, through which it distributed 300,000 new backpacks last year to non-profit organizations and schools for distribution to deserving children throughout the United States and Canada. Office Depot has given away nearly 1.5 million backpacks since the program began in 2001.

About Office Depot

Office Depot provides more office products and services to more customers in more countries than any other company.

Incorporated in 1986 and headquartered in Delray Beach, Fla., Office Depot has annual sales of approximately \$15.5 billion, and employs approximately 52,000 associates around the world. Currently, the Company sells to customers directly or through affiliates in 43 countries.

Office Depot is a leader in every distribution channel -- from retail stores and contract delivery to catalogs and e-commerce. As of September 29, 2007, Office Depot had 1,212 retail stores in North America and another 384 stores, either company-owned, licensed or franchised, in other parts of the world. Office Depot serves a wide range of customers through a dedicated sales force, telephone account managers, direct mail offerings, and multiple web sites. With \$4.8 billion in online sales during the last twelve months, the Company is also one of the world's largest e-commerce retailers.

Office Depot's common stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol ODP and is included in the S&P 500 Index. Additional press information can be found at: <http://mediarelations.officedepot.com>. Details and images specific to Office Depot's retail division are available at <http://mediarelations.officedepot.cc/m2>

About the Office Depot Foundation

The Office Depot Foundation is an independent foundation that serves as the primary charitable giving arm of Office Depot. In keeping with its mission, Listen Learn Care, the Foundation strives to make a positive impact on many lives in many communities around the world. The Foundation supports a variety of programs that enhance the quality of life for children, strengthen communities, encourage local and global economic growth, and empower schools and non-profit organizations. It also provides support when disasters strike – doing what it can, not only to speed the process of rebuilding, but also to mitigate the impact of future disasters. Visit www.officedepotfoundation.org for more information.

About Child & Family Services

Child & Family Services is a private not-for-profit human service organization that provides comprehensive services to families and individuals through intervention, education and advocacy. The agency has a 135-year history of providing services to Western New York's children and families, and remains one of Western New York's largest family service organizations.

About Suburban Adult Services, Inc.

Suburban Adult Services Inc. (SASi) is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving individuals with physical and mental disabilities. SASi provides comprehensive, high quality, individualized programs and services, focused on helping each person reach his or her highest potential, lead meaningful lives and be as independent as possible. Established in 1975, SASi has grown from a small, community-based agency to one of the largest service providers in Western New York. Program areas include employment training and placement, clinical services, residential, recreation and respite programs.

About West Seneca Teacher's Association

The primary objectives of the West Seneca Teacher's Association (WSTA) are to promote the interest of public education, work for the welfare of school children, foster professional growth and advance the standards of the teaching profession. WSTA also strives to promote the general welfare of its members and the understanding and goodwill in the community toward the teaching profession. The WSTA supports the programs of the New York State United Teachers and affiliated unions and opposes all forms of racism and discrimination.

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