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Local nonprofit invites people to help with annual Adopt A Family program
Community Housing Network seeks to assist more than 500

Troy, MI – Community Housing Network (CHN) recently launched its annual Adopt A Family program through our offices in Troy and Wayne and is seeking individuals, organizations, schools and other groups to help with its efforts. With support from the community, Adopt A Family hopes to provide more than 500 families and individuals who are engaged in CHN’s supportive services with basic necessities – and a wish or two – this holiday season.

Volunteers and donors are crucial to making the eighth year of Adopt A Family a success. Wish lists will be provided for families or individuals, many of whom are formerly homeless. Many gift recipient wish lists include basic items such as warm coats, boots, hats and gloves. Donors are asked to shop for items on the list, spending no more than $125 per recipient, and return the new and unused gifts wrapped and labeled by December 7.

“Every year, the number of individuals we expect to help grows” says CHN’s Carrie Alexander, who has been leading the Adopt A Family effort for the past three years. “Being able to give back has been a good opportunity in mentoring our kids about being involved in the community and the responsibility and reward of helping others.”

To adopt a family or individual involved in our programs in Oakland or Macomb counties, contact Sue Cole at Scole@chninc.net or at 248-928-0111 ext. 1382. To adopt a family or individual involved in our programs in Wayne County, contact Michelle Meredith at MMeredith@chninc.net or 734-419-7550.

Donations will be accepted 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays through Friday, December 7. Those with gifts for Oakland and Macomb residents are asked to bring them to the Troy office, 570 Kirts Blvd., Suite 225. Those with gifts for Wayne residents are asked to bring them to the Wayne office, 35425 W. Michigan Ave., Suite 3649.

General items such as paper products, cleaning supplies and personal care items are also being collected and can be dropped off during business hours at either location. Donations can also be made by clicking on the dropdown tab in the donation section of our website at www.communityhousingnetwork.org.

Community Housing Network is a nonprofit organization committed to providing homes for people in need through proven strategies of homelessness prevention, housing assistance and development, community education and referral, advocacy and additional services. The organization carries out its work in Southeastern Michigan. For more information, visit http://www.communityhousingnetwork.org.

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