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Community makes the holidays brighter for 150 families

Nonprofit holiday campaign has great response

(NEW HAVEN, Conn.) – More than 150 families were adopted through New Haven Home Recovery’s (NHHR) “Adopt-A-Family” program.

NHHR received 357 phone calls from families requesting shelter in the month of September alone. The number increased 253% from September 2010.

Community members adopted families who are in need during the holiday season. Each child in the family receives a gift, as well as a gift for the entire household. Kids wished for board games, pajamas, toys and more.

Families who participate in “Adopt-A-Family” are experiencing homelessness or transitioning out of homelessness. NHHR has seen families in similar situations that were demonstrated in the 60 Minutes piece called “Hard Times Generation: Families living in Cars” that can be seen on cbsnews.com.

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New Haven Home Recovery (NHHR) Inc. was established in 1990 to provide emergency shelter for families, and is working in the New Haven area to address the housing and support service needs of women with children. NHHR provides services to families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. NHHR has developed its programs to include emergency shelter, supportive housing, children’s programs and The Furniture Co-op. For more information, visit the Web site at www.nhhr.org.