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Gift Donation Drop-off Locations Announced for 2016 DHS Holiday Project

PITTSBURGH – The Allegheny County Department of Human Services' (DHS) Holiday Project is again collecting new, unwrapped gifts for children and youth who receive services through the DHS Office of Children, Youth and Families.

“The DHS Holiday Project is only possible because of the generosity of groups and individuals from around the county making donations to brighten the holidays for nearly 4,000 children served by the Department of Human Services,” said DHS Director Marc Cherna.

While all gift donations are appreciated, we have a special need for:

- Warm winter wear for ages 0-18 (hats, gloves, mittens, scarves)
- Board games for all ages – to be played individually, with siblings, or as a family
- Puzzles for all ages
- Dolls and action figures in a full range of skin tones
- Basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, baseball gloves, and other sports equipment
- Creative kits for school-age children

Gift donations will be collected through December 20, and may be taken to any of the following drop-off locations:

Downtown

City Co Federal Credit Union
220 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Human Services Building
One Smithfield Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Allegheny County Courthouse
Allegheny County Executive's Office
436 Grant Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

South

Curves
2940 South Park Road
Bethel Park, PA 15102

North

Turner Jewelers
5648 William Flynn Hwy
Gibsonia, PA 15044

Monetary donations are also welcome. Checks should be made payable to “The DHS Donation Fund” with “Holiday Project” written in the memo line. Checks may be sent to Holiday Project Coordinator, Allegheny County Department of Human Services, One Smithfield Street, First Floor, Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

Opportunities to receive and fulfill a child's wish list are also available. To request a child's name and wish list and/or for more information about this process, please contact the Event and Donations Team at EventandDonationsTeam@AlleghenyCounty.US or 412.350.3428.

For additional information about the Holiday Project and for a list of gift ideas, visit:
www.alleghenycounty.us/dhs/holidayproject.aspx

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