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## ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT STAFF GIVE TO NEEDY

**BALTIMORE** – In keeping with their yearly tradition, the staff of the Anne Arundel County Office of Child Support Enforcement opened their hearts, cupboards and wallets to assist those in need in their community. Staff donated cash and over 20 heaping boxes of canned and non-perishable food items including spaghetti and sauce, boxed potatoes, stuffing, and other goodies to the Anne Arundel County Food Bank.

Each year the agency selects a local charity to send a holiday donation. The Food Bank was selected this year as it was recently burglarized. The child support staff wanted to do what it could to help the Food Bank fulfill its important mission during this critical time of the year.

"This has been a difficult year and it was truly a sacrifice for many of the 60 employees to participate, however, everyone participated and they donated whatever they could. The spirit of giving during this holiday season is alive and well at Anne Arundel County Office of Child Support Enforcement," said Pat Feeney director of the child support office.

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The Maryland Department of Human Resources is the state's social service provider. The agency collaborates with 24 local jurisdictions to: provide foster care, adoption, and protective services to children; collect and distribute child support payments; provide protective services, case- management, supportive housing, in-home aide services, and respite care to vulnerable adults; and provide temporary cash, food stamps, and medical assistance to families. It also funds programs for homeless persons, refugees, and migrant- workers, victims of crime and women who are displaced, battered, or assaulted. Last year, DHR served 760,000 people in need. In terms of its annual budget, DHR is Maryland's fourth largest state agency