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HOUSING AUTHORITY STAFF GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

Community Action Partnership Receives Monetary and Food Donations

(San Bernardino, CA) Given the economic climate, staff from the Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino, organized a charity campaign to give back to the community in lieu of the traditional holiday dinner. Voting on Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County (CAPSBC), staff volunteered their time at the local food bank, donated canned goods, and/or gave a monetary donate to help support the CAPSBC's efforts to serve low-income families.

CAPSBC Food Bank, through its 170 distribution sites and soup kitchens, provides about seven million pounds of food annually and serves over 400,000 low-income households with donated foods.

Community Action Partnership was extremely pleased to receive 2,000 pounds of canned and dry goods for their food bank and a check for \$5,002.50 through staff monetary donations and the Housing Authorities matching funds program*.

"No words can explain the smile in my heart to know that my spouse and I were able to continue to provide for the community outside of work. I loved the opportunity to give back to families that are less fortunate and enjoyed every minute as I continue to enjoy helping families with their housing needs day by day," shares Marisol Razo, Housing Inspector at the Housing Authority.

"These are tough times for everyone, and it is critical to come together to help those less fortunate in times of need. This campaign offered something for everyone, despite anyone's personal economic challenges. The Housing Authority is here to serve the community in more ways than housing" states Susan Benner, Executive Director, Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino.

The Housing Authority hopes to continue partnering with CAPSBC for years to come as two of the largest community providers of services to low income families in the County of San Bernardino. "Housing Authority staff exemplified that everyone can make a significant contribution to help the less fortunate members of our community. We look forward to continuing our partnership and helping low-income families throughout the County," states Patricia Nickols, CAPSBC Chief Executive Officer.

On January 19th, Housing Authority staff will present the donation check of \$5,002.50 during the Community Action Partnership Board Meeting at 4pm, 696 S. Tippecanoe Ave, San Bernardino, CA 92415.

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The Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino is one of the largest public housing agencies in California, providing the critical resource of housing to a clientele of which the majority are seniors, persons with disabilities and children. From providing housing and home ownership, to job training and childcare, the Housing Authority helps tens of

thousands of people to elevate their lives every day. For more information on the Housing Authority of the County of San Bernardino, please visit www.hacsb.com

CAPSBC, as one of the largest non-profit human services agencies in San Bernardino County, continues to be the leader in providing resources and opportunities to the low-income to improve their lives, contribute to their communities and offer a return on investment for our communities, cities and county. Its programs include Weatherization, Home Energy Assistance, Family Development, Assets for Independence/Individual Development Accounts, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, Homeless Management Information Systems and the CAPSBC Food Bank. For more information, call CAPSBC at (909) 723-1500 or visit www.capsbc.org

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