



# DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### Holiday Gift Project at Social Services: Help Needed

Cold weather and the holidays are right around the corner. Once again, the Frederick County Department of Social Services is sponsoring their annual 2017 Holiday Gift Project. There are many Frederick County residents who would not be able to celebrate the holidays without the assistance of their neighbors and community.

Over the years, many offices, groups, families, and individuals have volunteered to help spread holiday joy by participating in this program. Last year, thanks to generous donations from our community donors and sponsors, we were able to support over 575 children, families, home bound senior citizens and vulnerable adults. We anticipate the need to be even greater this year.

Those who volunteer to sponsor are provided an information sheet about the family or person(s) they are helping. Then gifts are purchased, wrapped, and brought to the Department on designated delivery dates. Workers will then distribute the presents to their clients. All donations are greatly appreciated.

The Frederick County DSS Holiday Gift Project not only warms the hearts of those in need, but the hearts of those who donate as well. If you, your family, or group would like to participate by providing presents, please contact Kimberly Scritchfield at Social Services via email: [Kimberly.Scritchfield@maryland.gov](mailto:Kimberly.Scritchfield@maryland.gov) or by calling (301) 600-4536.