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DALLAS SERVICE FORUM MEMBERS SPONSORED A "STUFF THE TRUCK' DONATION DRIVE BENEFITTING THE FAMILY PLACE, A DSF AGENCY PARTNER, AT PRESTON HOLLOW LAKE FOREST RESIDENCE COMMUNITY

On Wednesday, May 17, Dallas Service Forum members joined forces with residences of the Preston Hollow Lake Forest community for a "stuff the truck" donation drive benefitting The Family Place, a long time DSF Agency Partner.

The daylong event was arranged by DSF/The Family Place Service Chair Renee Parrett and showcased The Family Place truck for a "drive-up, drop-off" event within the Lake Forest community. Residents brought donated items and filled The Family Place truck with household items, gently used clothing and small furniture, for use at The Family Place shelters and at their re-sale shop, located at Marsh Lane and Forest Lane. The Family Place non-profit re-sale shop provides clothing, household items and furniture to clients as necessary, and funds programs to stop family violence. The store is staffed primarily by volunteers, including Dallas Service Forum members who volunteer weekly.

DSF volunteers manning the "drive-up, drop-off" event were Carla Austin, Carolyn Tobin, Cindy Rigas, Victoria Demone-Baird, and Renee Parrett.

The Family Place staff members who helped make the event possible included Volunteer Coordinator Sara Brigger, Director of Operations John Box, and truck operator Max Morris.

"We are grateful to the Lake Forest community residents who generously contributed to our donation drive in support of The Family Place," said Parrett. "DSF is committed in our support for this organization that works so diligently to end family violence and provide a path forward."

Added DSF President Ginny Delflache, "This hands-on daylong event is an example of DSF member's commitment to meeting the DSF mission of providing volunteer services and financial support to children, families, and the elderly throughout the greater Dallas community. We are committed to fulfilling our mission with The Family Place and all the agencies we serve."

Additional agencies served by DSF include Dallas Children's Advocacy Center, Hope's Door New Beginning Center, Juliette Fowler Communities, The Ebby House, Network of Community Ministries and Ronald McDonald House of Dallas.

Background:

DSF is a 100 percent non-profit volunteer organization. The Dallas chapter was formed in 1977 to create greater interest in civic, education and philanthropic endeavors in the greater Dallas

community through volunteer work focused on children, families, and the elderly. Since it began over 45 years ago, Dallas Service Forum has donated hundreds of thousands of volunteer service hours to the charitable agencies it supports and has donated more than \$1Million in direct grants and non-grants to worthy non-profit organizations throughout the greater Dallas area.

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