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United Way of Tri-County offers Help to Marlborough's 'Holiday Helper' Program

Throughout the years, the United Way of Tri-County, with the help of local supporters, has been able to supply gifts, clothing, food, and a bit of hope to thousands of children and families in the MetroWest/495 area. Last year they were able to create magical moments for over 1700 people.

This year's Hope for the Holidays Program will also support the City of Marlborough's Holiday Helper Program, previously coordinated through the Human Services Department. "We will do our best to support those that received gifts from the previous City program. The Marlborough program has been a wonderful resource for families and so many people have pitched in over the years to make sure Marlborough youth have something to open during the holidays." said Paul Mina, President of United Way.

The United Way Hope For the Holidays program will sponsor those children, between the ages of 0-18, that have an existing relationship with the social service providers in Marlborough including, SMOC, Boys & Girls Clubs of MetroWest (Marlborough Clubhouse), and Marlborough Community Cupboard. The extended deadline for parents to register for gifts is **Friday, November 18, 2011**.

"The City of Marlborough has put so much love and care into the program in years past, but we had to be mindful of the added strain to City resources and staff time. We are so happy that the program will continue in a new way through the United Way." commented Mayor Stevens.

If you are interested in supporting a child this year, please contact Barbara LaGrenade. All donations will be used to support Marlborough children. The United Way of Tri-County, with the help of Marlborough companies, organizations and neighbors will provide hope for children and families who are struggling to find magical moments this holiday season.

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