



St. Francis Church Christmas Party



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2012 Adopt-a-Family Christmas Gift Program



600 Smiles on Christmas Day!

All THC families who were in need of a little extra gift-support during Christmas were adopted by generous members of our community. In total, nearly 1,800 Christmas gifts were donated to more than 600 very happy children and parents like the Johnson family: "Kalik was totally excited and appreciative (as usual!) and his #1 favorite item is his Cowboys jersey. He has worn that jersey almost every day since Christmas. And, I too appreciate my gifts. Thanks!" – Don-nisha Johnson



THC would like to sincerely thank all of our generous 2012 Adopt-A-Family Christmas partners:

- [All Souls' Memorial Episcopal Church](#)
- [Anonymous Donors](#)
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- [Boy Scout Troop 100 and Jared Cornfeld](#)
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New Annual Report



Financial Literacy 101

Lafayette Credit Union & PNC Bank host workshops at Faircliff Plaza East

THC Resident Services, led by Patrick Williams, coordinated a 3-Series Workshop, **Financial Literacy 101**, at Faircliff Plaza East last month. Six residents attended all three workshops and will receive \$50.00 to open or fund an existing checking/savings account.



Three of the six females will establish a checking/saving account within the next week. The picture below includes representatives from **Lafayette Credit Union** and **PNC Bank** discussing the importance of good credit and how their bank will benefit the residents.



Students of Howard University Donated 165 Books for THC Youth



In support of THC children and THC's Youth Enrichment Program (YEP), the Howard University Student Association ran a Book Drive through the School of Education's Human Development and Psycho-Educational Studies department to collect 165 children's books! Special thanks to Camelia Sadler (pictured on left) for coordinating this effort and for reaching to further THC's mission.

Volunteer with THC!

Visit our [website](#) to learn about volunteer activities with THC youth and adults:

Tutoring - NEW!

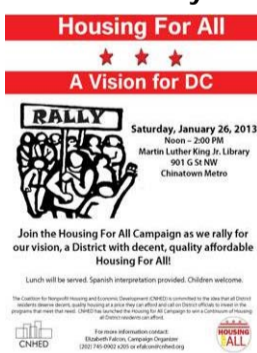
- YEP Art Club
- YEP Reading Club
- YEP Garden Club
- Adopt-an-Apartment Program
- Volunteer Work Days
- Special Events



Housing For All Rally

Saturday, January 26 (12:00 PM) at MLK Jr. Library

Join THC and CNHED on Saturday, January 26, 2013 (12:00 PM – 2:00 PM) at the MLK Jr. Library (901 G St, NW) as we rally with hundreds of supporters for affordable housing in DC. Mayor Vincent Gray and the DC Councilmembers have been invited to attend as DC residents share their experiences and express the need for increased affordable housing in the District.



We invite any and all THC supporters to join us in educating the policy makers on the importance that housing has on so many DC families. Lunch will be served and *children are welcome!* For more info, please contact Elizabeth Falcon (efalcon@cnhed.org) at 202-745-0902 x205.

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Christmas Party for Partner Arms

Families enjoyed a wonderful Christmas party with food, friends, Bingo and gifts from Santa!

Each year, St. Francis Episcopal Church (Great Falls) blesses THC families by hosting a Christmas Party at Christian Lutheran Church. More than 60 children and parents from Partner Arms 1, 2, and 3 attended the Christmas festivities.



Sincere thanks to St. Francis parishioner, Ginger Roll, for her continued support in coordinating this special occasion. THC appreciates all of the gifts and donations made by the St. Francis Parish including more than 200 gifts for THC children and 25 Target gift cards for THC youth 13-18 years old.

Special thanks to Lauren Schneiderman ([laurenschneiderman.com](#)) for being the volunteer photographer and for capturing precious moments like this one with Santa holding a baby as well as the children helping to call the Bingo numbers in the headline.

