



# The Children's Home Society

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## Volunteer Newsletter

*"Saving Children's Lives and Building Healthy Families"*

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### Dear Volunteer ,

Thank you for your continued interest in volunteering with the Children's Home Society of New Jersey (CHSofNJ). Following you will find information for new and on-going volunteer opportunities to help our children and families through the holiday season and into the new year. We have 45 programs and can not list every opportunity available, so if you do not see a volunteer opportunity that is a good fit for you or your group, please feel free to contact us to discuss your specific volunteer interests.

### VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Johnson and Johnson's Internal Medicine Group spent a Day of Caring with CHSofNJ's Positive Impact After School

(5:00pm to 8:00pm)  
occurs in our Trenton-based  
Family Success Centers:

South: Wednesday  
North: Tuesday

### Join Our List

[Join Our Mailing List!](#)

Please forward this email to your  
friends who might also be  
interested in volunteering!

### Forward This Information

[Forward to a Friend](#)

Do you know someone who  
might want to get involved?

Program in Trenton. Children enjoyed an afternoon of fun that included face painting, playground games, reading, coloring and building with legos. It was a wonderful afternoon for the children who participate in this program and fun was had by all!

## DRIVES/DONATIONS OF MOST NEEDED ITEMS



**Our families are in great need of food as we look towards the Thanksgiving holiday!**

The Children's Home Society of New Jersey is accepting donations of dry goods, frozen turkeys and grocery store gift cards. Donations can be delivered to CHSofNJ November 14th

through the 18th.

**Would you like to make a child's wishes come true this holiday season?**

"Adopt" a CHSofNJ child for the holidays. If you are interested in participating in our holiday drive, you can fulfill a child's wish-list or simply donate items. All new, unwrapped gifts should be delivered to CHSofNJ during the week of December 12th through 16th.



**Help keep kids warm this winter...**

The weather is getting cold and we are in need of warm coats, hats and mittens/gloves for many of our children (all ages)!



**Are you interested in conducting a drive or donating items for our children and families?**

If so, we are in great need of the following items:

- Diapers (especially size 1) and Wipes
- Infant Healthcare and Grooming Kits
- First-aid Kits
- Infant Care Items (e.g. diaper cream, baby wash, etc.)
- Maternity clothes and post-pregnancy health care items
- Clinical, "Happy Adoption Day," and bilingual children's books

**Do you have a new or "like new" adult size Santa or snowman suit that you could donate for our holiday parties?**



Please contact Valerie Noble at [vnoble@chsofnj.org](mailto:vnoble@chsofnj.org) for more information regarding any of our drives. Please note that due to staffing and storage constraints we ask that all donations be delivered to our office and that all items be new/unused.

## GREAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROUPS AND FAMILIES

### Help us to create a holiday celebration for our children!

Help us plan, organize and execute a celebration at The Children's Home Society of New Jersey. Parties usually include food and children's activities (e.g. photos, arts and crafts, music, books, games, movies, etc.). There are also opportunities to sponsor a party, either in part or its entirety, by funding the food/activities or donating the presents. **One specific opportunity exists with our After School Program on Wednesday, December 21st.**



Please contact Tracey Huegler at [thuegler@chsofnj.org](mailto:thuegler@chsofnj.org) for more info.

### Help with our baby showers for new moms!

We need help with our CUNA and C.A.R.E.S for Her baby showers. Help is needed for donations of baby items, shopping, assembly of baskets and lending a hand at the showers. We have showers just about every month. Upcoming showers are planned for:

- Tuesday, December 6th (evening)
- Thursday, December 8th (afternoon).



Please contact Tracey Huegler at [thuegler@chsofnj.org](mailto:thuegler@chsofnj.org) for more info.

### Can you spare a few hours to help us prepare for our holiday gift drive!

In order to make room to receive and organize holiday gift donations, we need to organize our storage room. We are looking for 4-5 folks who can spare about 4 hours on a Monday or Tuesday evening (4pm to 8pm) or a Saturday morning (9:00am to 1:00pm) in November.

Please contact Tracey Huegler at [thuegler@chsofnj.org](mailto:thuegler@chsofnj.org) for more info.

### Family Movie Night!

We need help shopping for supplies and putting together 50 brown bag meals for our Family Movie Night. There are weekday "movie night" opportunities once a month. Our next movie night will be in January, after the holidays.



Please contact Tracey Huegler at [thuegler@chsofnj.org](mailto:thuegler@chsofnj.org) for more info.

## NEW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### Provide a new experience for a child...

Do you have a talent to share? Does your group at work do something cool that kids might be interested in learning? Does your office have tickets for an event that they aren't using? Help us expand the worlds of the children in our after school programs with fun, cultural or educational programming.



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### Special events help needed!

Do you enjoy all aspects of planning parties and special events? We always need extra hands to assist with our fundraising activities (e.g. Red Rose Day, Gala, Wine Tasting, Golf Outing, etc.). It is a fun way to help raise money to support the programs at The Children's Home Society of New Jersey.

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### Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity with flexible hours? Do you enjoy desktop publishing?

We are looking for someone to help us implement a monthly C.A.R.E.S. for Her newsletter in Constant Contact and to help maintain its distribution list.

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## ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### Would you like to help out at our Family Success Center?

There are many ways, big and small, to help in our Family Success Centers! We need two or three volunteers to help with planned Saturday activities that occur once a month. We also need volunteers to assist with: mailing our monthly center based activities calendar to our families between the 20th and 25th of each month, providing clerical



support and questionnaire data entry, translating program materials, and creating picture displays and albums to highlight activities and programs. Many, many, more opportunities!

Please contact Tracey Huegler at [thuegler@chsofnj.org](mailto:thuegler@chsofnj.org) for more info.

### Child Care Help Needed!

We are looking for folks to help with child care, on a regular or periodic basis, while parents attend educational programming or receive needed services. If you like to work with children we could use your help! We are in great need of child care for our:

- Family Success Centers: Tuesday or Wednesday evenings from 5:00pm to 8:00pm.
- Early Head Start Policy Council Meeting: The first Wednesday of every month from 9:00am until 11:00am.
- Emergency Child Care



NOTE: All child care helpers are required to complete Human Resource Processing, including drug screening and background checks.

### Would you like to volunteer, but don't see an opportunity here that is a good fit for you?

Please contact us and let us know what you might enjoy doing as a volunteer activity. We have 45 programs and may be able to find just the right opportunity for you. Volunteer opportunities exist for: back office/clerical help, reading to or playing music for our children, putting together a educational session or activity for our children or families, etc. We would also love to hear your ideas!

Please contact Tracey Huegler at [thuegler@chsofnj.org](mailto:thuegler@chsofnj.org) for more info.

### Birthday Generosity

Can't think of anything you need for your birthday or other celebration? Instead of a gift for you, think about asking your guests to bring items (school supplies, infant care items, etc.) or a financial donation for CHSofNJ to your party.



Please contact Valerie Noble at [vnoble@chsofnj.org](mailto:vnoble@chsofnj.org) for more info.

## SAVE THE DATE

### Events Planned for the Year

Please save these dates for our future fundraising events and look for more information in following newsletters.



**November 14, 2011:** Enjoy an evening of delicious wines and hor d'oeuvres at our **Harvest Wine Tasting** which will be held at Gennaro's Restaurant in Princeton. Please contact Denise Wentzler at [dwentzler@chsofni.org](mailto:dwentzler@chsofni.org) or visit our Web-site for ticket info.

**November 26, 2011:** Our Trenton Auxiliary is hosting its annual **Brunch with Santa** at Notre Dame High School in Lawrenceville. Please contact Aline Guzzo at [guzzoali@tcnj.edu](mailto:guzzoali@tcnj.edu) for ticket info or to volunteer!

**March 23, 2012** Red Rose Day (date tentative)

**May 5, 2012:** Our annual Gala fundraising event



**May 11, 2012:** **Pocketbook Bingo** (This is a new Trenton Auxiliary Event) Please contact Harriet Flynn at: [hflynn89@comcast.net](mailto:hflynn89@comcast.net) for more information!

## VOLUNTEER WITH OUR AUXILIARY GROUP

### Get involved with a special group of women!

Interested in learning more about the work of the auxiliaries or possible membership? They are currently looking for volunteers to help with their annual Brunch with Santa (Saturday, November 26th), Pocketbook Bingo (Friday, May 11th), and creating crafts for sale all year long!

Please contact Ann Brown at [annieb1756@comcast.net](mailto:annieb1756@comcast.net) for more info.

Thank you for your generosity to our children and families and for helping us to achieve our mission of saving children's lives and building healthy families!

Sincerely, Tracey Huegler

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Office Hours: Monday/Wednesday/Thursday 9:00am - 3:15pm

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