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The Children's Home Society of New Jersey Receives Grant from Wells Fargo



Wells Fargo Central Jersey Area President Linnette Shaver-Johnson (right) and Mercerville Branch Manager Valerie Foreman (left) present a check to CHSofNJ Trustee and Vice President of Community Relations Cordelia Staton (center) in honor of the agency's important work in the community.

Hamilton Township, NJ (September 16, 2015) – The Children's Home Society of New Jersey (CHSofNJ) was recently awarded two separate \$1,000 grants by Wells Fargo to support the organization's mission of saving children's lives and building healthy families.

"We are honored to be recognized by Wells Fargo for the important work we do for the community, and we thank them for the generous support they continue to provide our agency," said Donna C. Pressma, CHSofNJ President & CEO. "These grant

funds will help continue and enhance our critical programs and services, such as those that promote positive birth outcomes in Mercer County. Our CUNA (which translates to *crib* or *cradle* in Spanish) and Body & Soul programs work with expectant mothers at high-risk for premature delivery to teach them how to manage safer, healthier pregnancies. The birth outcome statistics of mothers in our programs far exceed those of the greater community, and we are excited for what these two Wells Fargo grants will enable us to do moving forward.

These grants were awarded as part of Wells Fargo's Community Connections program, which provides local branch managers the opportunity to make a charitable contribution on behalf of Wells Fargo to a nonprofit of their choice. This year, The Children's Home Society of New Jersey was selected as a recipient by the Mercerville and Pennington branches. Wells Fargo's 54 branches in the Southern New Jersey-Central Jersey area distributed a total of \$54,000 in grants at an early morning awards brunch to support local nonprofit groups - \$1,000 for each nonprofit identified by a branch manager.

"Our local branches see which nonprofits are out in the community making a difference every day," said Linnette Shaver-Johnson, Wells Fargo's Central Jersey area President. "We use this as an opportunity to celebrate and say thank you to The Children's Home Society of New Jersey for all of the value they have provided to our community over the past year."

"Many of our Wells Fargo team members also volunteer with or are impacted by The Children's Home Society of New Jersey in some way," said Kevin Baeza, Pennington Branch Manager. Mercerville Branch Manager Valerie Foreman added, "We're proud to help the nonprofits serving our communities wherever we can."

About The Children's Home Society of New Jersey

The Children's Home Society of New Jersey is a nonprofit child and family serving agency whose mission is to save children's lives and build healthy families. Founded in 1894, the agency protects abused or neglected infants and at-risk children by ensuring stable, permanent, and loving homes for each and every child it serves. All services are confidential and most are free. For more information, visit our website at www.chsofnj.org.

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