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Hope Ministries Announces Christmas Outreach Opportunities

DES MOINES—Hope Ministries invites community members to participate in a number of outreach opportunities this Christmas season.

Community members are invited to participate in *Hope Ministries' Adopt-a-Brother* gift bag program which provides gifts for the estimated 150 homeless men who will spend Christmas Day at one of Hope Ministries' facilities. Or, *Hope Ministries' Adopt-a-Family* program involves assembling "hope boxes" which will be given away to families who come to Hope Ministries' on Christmas Day. Content lists for both gift bags and hope boxes can be found at www.hopeiowa.org.

The *Tokens for the Broken* program aids in providing transportation for the homeless. Community members can also donate *Quilts* which will be given away on Christmas Day to guests.

"We're so thankful to the literally hundreds of individuals, families, churches and groups who participate in these holiday outreach opportunities and bring joy to the homeless and hungry men, women and children we serve," said Hope Ministries President/CEO Leon Negen.

All Adopt-a-Brother, Adopt-a-Family, bus token and quilt donations can be dropped off at Hope Ministries' Bethel Mission facility (1310 Sixth Avenue) on Saturday, December 19, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information about Christmas outreach opportunities, visit www.hopeiowa.org or call (515) 265-7272.

Hope Ministries is a privately funded organization providing food, clothing, shelter and recovery services to homeless and hungry men, women and children in Des Moines and throughout Iowa since 1915. To learn more, visit www.hopeiowa.org.

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