



New Jersey Education Officials Gather and Deliver Toys to HomeFront During the Christie Administration's Season of Service

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Ewing, NJ – As part of the Christie Administration's 2015 Season of Service program, Education Commissioner David C. Hesse and Department staff helped gather and deliver gifts for 150 children from 43 families at HomeFront.

Since its inception 20 years ago, HomeFront has worked to break the cycle of poverty and end homelessness in Central New Jersey, serving thousands of Mercer County families. In the past year alone, HomeFront assisted nearly 14,000 parents. Started by volunteers providing meals for families without a stable home, HomeFront has since developed a holistic array of services for clients who are either homeless or at high risk of becoming so.

Below are photos and captions of the Season of Service event that are available for public use.



Commissioner Hesse (left), Kristen Bailey of the NJDOE's Office of Career Readiness (center), and Brianna Doherty of the Office of Student Support Services (right) help package the toys provided by Department staff for deliver to HomeFront.



Gifts collected by Department of Education staff for families at HomeFront, including over 100 stuffed animals donated by PetSmart.



Assistant Commissioner Evo Popoff (right) and Director of Assessments/Acting Chief Performance Officer Jeffrey Hauger (center right) hand out stuffed animals donated by PetSmart to children at HomeFront.