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NJ CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE GET NEW SHOES FOR THE HOLIDAYS

FAFS and Payless Shoesource® team up for a second time to help kids in need

Monmouth Junction, NJ, December 3, 2009 – For the second year in a row, Foster and Adoptive Family Services (FAFS) has been selected to participate in the *Payless Gives Shoes 4 Kids Program*, a grass roots campaign to deliver \$1.2 million in free shoes to children of families in need. FAFS will distribute Payless gift coupons to children in foster care at holiday celebrations throughout New Jersey.

“We are very honored to be chosen by Payless again this year for participation in this generous program,” said Mary Jane Awrachow, FAFS Executive Director. “Their commitment to helping the community is admirable, and very much needed, during these difficult economic times.”

Payless gift coupons not only offer financial assistance to foster families; they also help children in foster care in ways that are priceless. Being given a new pair of shoes all their own -- ones they can choose for themselves -- boosts their self-esteem and makes them feel special.

FAFS is pleased to team up once again with Payless Shoesource® to make the holidays brighter for New Jersey children in foster care.

Foster and Adoptive Family Services is a nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization, dedicated to providing support, training and advocacy to meet the special needs of foster, adoptive and kinship families, who provide safe, stable and nurturing homes for children in foster care.

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