

# News Release

## Jefferson Parish, Louisiana

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"Provide the services,  
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Parish President

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December 4, 2009

### PAYLESS GIVES SHOES 4 KIDS

#### *Jefferson Community Action Programs Partners with Hope Center*

This year's Shoes 4 Kids has selected 750 nonprofit partners located across the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico and in Latin American countries to distribute more than \$1.2 million in free shoes to children.

Hope Center, a nonprofit organization, based in Gretna, Louisiana was selected to be the custodian of the merchandise gift coupons that will be distributed to qualifying families with children ages 1 -13 in need with a pair of brand new shoes. If eligible, each child will receive one voucher for \$15 to take to any local Payless store to redeem.

This week, Jefferson Community Action Programs has partnered with Hope Center to use their facilities for the distribution of the Shoe 4 Kids program applications. These applications can be picked up at following JeffCAP community center starting this week:

- Avondale Community Center
- Bridge City Community Center
- Dorothy Watson Community Center, Metairie
- Gretna Community Center
- Hazel Hurst Community Center
- Harvey Community Center
- Marrero Community and Senior Center

**In order for families to be eligible for the shoes, the following requirements must be met:**

- Complete the application process
- Provide proof of income (must be 80% or below of the area median income)
- Provide a valid government issued identification card
- Provide birth certificates for each child (two children per household)

**Applications with the requested documents must be submitted by Friday, December 11, 2009, no later than noon to the Hope Center, Inc., 1900 Lafayette Street, Suite 2, Gretna, La 70053, attention: Cheryl Magee.**

For more information contact Nicole Ferrier, Director of Jefferson Community Action Programs at 736-6904.

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