



MEDIA ALERT
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Catholic Charities to receive an expected 1,000 Coats and Blankets December 12 from the 3rd Annual Harris Construction ‘Warmth Drive’

WHO Catholic Charities Diocese of Fresno and Harris Construction

WHAT Over the past month, Harris Construction has been collecting coats and blankets for children, women and men who are in desperate need of warmth this holiday season. The company will donate an expected 1,000 new (or gently-used) coats and blankets to Catholic Charities on Wednesday, December 12 at 3 p.m. who will then distribute each item with a family or person in need in the coming weeks and months.

Catholic Charities clients include those from all walks of life, from any faith or background, including those who can barely make it paycheck to paycheck, those who may have lost their home to a fire, those who have recently taken in a family member, those who are homeless, children, and so many others struggling to stay warm this winter.

Last year, more than 1,100 blankets and coats were donated by Harris Construction and its employees, suppliers and the community as part of this drive.

WHEN Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 3 p.m.

WHERE Harris Construction – 5286 E. Home Ave., Fresno, CA
(Near Peach & McKinley, just south of the Fresno Airport)

WHY Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Fresno, is a Community Benefit Organization serving the needs of those in crisis. Families experiencing difficult economic times are invited to seek assistance from Catholic Charities year-round in the form of food, clothing and other basic necessities.

In addition to food and clothing services, the organization also operates a Thrift Store, a Career and Education Center, a Senior Companion Program and a Representative Payee Assistance Program.

Catholic Charities holds highly coveted ratings on Charity Navigator and GuideStar USA for sound fiscal management and commitment to accountability and transparency and \$0.90 of every dollar donated goes directly to programs and services.