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**PRESS INVITATION & PHOTO OP - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**SAMARITAN HOUSE TO DISTRIBUTE FOOD & TOYS  
TO LOW-INCOME FAMILIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS**



**San Mateo, CA, December 5, 2013** – During the entire month of December, Samaritan House will be distributing food and toys to thousands of low-income individuals and families for the holiday season. The two Saturdays preceding Christmas, food and toys will be distributed to families in need at the following locations:

**Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>:**

Toy Distribution; 4031 Pacific Blvd, San Mateo; 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Food Distribution; 1685 Eisenhower Street, San Mateo; 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

**Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>:**

Toy Distribution; 4031 Pacific Blvd, San Mateo; 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Food Distribution; 715 Indian Ave, San Mateo; 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Each food distribution is scheduled to have around 500 clients and each toy distribution will have around 80 families throughout the day.

The Samaritan House Holiday Program provides assistance to families, individuals, and seniors who struggle during the difficult winter months and only have limited resources for food and additional holiday needs. Throughout the holiday season, over 1,500 volunteers, along with donors from the community, help Samaritan House provide assistance to those in need. Thanks to this phenomenal community support, every dollar Samaritan House spends on its holiday program provides \$15 worth of goods and service to help ensure that everyone has a happy holiday season.

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**SAMARITAN HOUSE – NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR (Tax ID 23-7416272)  
4031 Pacific Boulevard, San Mateo, CA 94403**

Since 1974, Samaritan House has been helping families regain self-sufficiency. Working with city and county governments, civic, religious, and school organizations, and over 2,000 volunteers, we provide bilingual counseling and case management, food, clothing for children, healthcare, rental assistance, shelter for the homeless, worker resources, and holiday assistance, all free of charge.

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