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OVER 1,500 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES HAD A BRIGHTER HOLIDAY SEASON, THANKS TO ASTOR DONORS!

Rhinebeck, N.Y.— More than 1,500 children and families had a brighter holiday season thanks to the many individuals, schools, youth groups, churches and businesses who played "Santa" through Astor Services for Children & Families' 2012 Adopt-A-Family and Holiday Programs. The support of our generous donors helped to make the holidays warm and merry for some of Astor's neediest children and families.

The community showed its support once again, in so many ways: gifts were collected from workplace toy drives and churches. Many companies and individuals "adopted" families or children and donated toys, home goods, and other items. Over 1,500 children and parents had a brighter holiday season this year due to the tremendous outpouring of care and generosity. In addition, some families and organizations adopted all the children in an entire Astor program where they purchased and delivered gifts and provided entertainment for the children.

Astor extends its heartfelt thanks to all the individuals and the following organizations for their generous support and compassionate dedication to the success of our community's families: Bugaboo Creek, Bard College, Brownie Troop #10115, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York, Center for Student Advising at Columbia University, Central Hudson Gas & Electric Chancellor - Livingston School, Citizens Bank, Clancy Moving Systems Inc., Clear Channel's Toy Drive, Corbally, Gartland & Rappleyea LLP, CWA Local 1182, Day Seckler LLP, Dutchess County Junior Grange, Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce - Young Professionals, Dutchess Day School, Emergency One, FORME Rehabilitation, Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union, IBM East Fishkill, IBM Cloud BLE Team, Immaculate Conception Parish, John Jay High School (Cheerleaders and Senior Class), Junior League of Orange County NY, Kirchhoff-Consigli Construction Management, Kohl's Cares, Kohl's (Kingston), Life is a Journey Not a Destination, Local 320 IBEW, Marist Teachers of Tomorrow, Mashery, McCabe & Mack LLP, Metropolitan Transit Authority (NYC), New York State Troopers (Rhinebeck), One Less Thing, Poughquag Girl Scouts, Premier Medical Group, Prudential-Serls Prime Properties, PURE Insurance, Rapport Meyers LLP, Rhinebeck Bank, Rhinebeck High School Art Club, Romeo Chevrolet Buick GMC, Rotary Club of Fishkill, Santa's Gifts, St. Denis-St. Columba School, St. Joseph's School -Millbrook NY, St. John's Reformed Church, Success Power Brokers, The Children's Place, The Community at Brookmeade, The Office of Mary Anne Salcetti DDS, The Would Restaurant, Thompson House, Topical Biomedics, TravelEx, United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region, Westage Management LLC and Whiting-Turner.

"I am in awe of the generosity and kindness of our donors who truly made this holiday season a memorable one for our children and their families," said James McGuirk, Ph.D., Executive Director/CEO of Astor Services for Children & Families. "I want to thank all our past and new donors who participated in our holiday programs which truly make a difference in so many lives. It shows how our community cares about children and families in need. We, at Astor, truly appreciate the community's continued support." Since 1953, Astor Services for Children & Families (formerly The Astor Home for Children) has been providing behavioral and educational services in a caring environment where children and their families find strength, healing, hope and trust. Now serving over 6,000 children and families annually, Astor's current range of services to families in the Mid-Hudson Valley and the Bronx include: Residential Treatment, Therapeutic Foster Family Care, Early Childhood Programs, and Community-Based Behavioral Health and Prevention Services. For additional information about Astor Services for Children & Families, please visit their website at www.astorservices.org or call The Children's Foundation of Astor at (845) 871-1117.

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