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Realtors come out in support of Astor's Adopt-A-Family Program

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Rhinebeck, NY –To share the goodwill of the holiday season, the local real estate community in the Hudson Valley came out to support Astor's Adopt-A-Family Program. This program matches donors to Astor's children and families, who are in need of assistance during the holiday season. This year, Astor will serve over 1,800 children and their families.

Those participating in this program included: Those participating in this program included: Adeline Malone Law Office; Berkshire Hathaway Hudson Valley; Ms. Arlene Campbell; Gary DiMauro Real Estate; H.H. Hill Realty Services, Inc.; H.W. Guernsey Realtors; Integrity Land Services LLC; Key Bank; LeGrand Real Estate; Ms. Wendy Lyons; Millbrook Real Estate LLC; Patricia A. Hinkein Realty LLC; Paula Redmond Real Estate; Ms. Shawn Borrelli Pratt; Rodenhausen Chale LLP; and Swan Realty.

Julia Crowley and Linda Lindsay, Paula Redmond Real Estate, Inc., and Pat Cortese, H.W Guernsey Realtors, Inc., took the lead in organizing this program with their colleagues. In addition, they organized a cocktail event at Astor on December 18, where gifts were dropped off and donors had an opportunity to learn more about Astor and the programs and services it administers throughout the community. These include mental and behavioral health services, Early Childhood Program (Head Start and Early Head Start for low income families), and Residential Programs.

The cocktail reception was sponsored by Mr. Daniel Gallagher, Key Bank; Integrity Land Services LLC; LeGrand Real Estate; Ms. Wendy Lyons; Patricia A. Hinkein Realty LLC; Mr. Shawn Borelli Pratt.

"We at Astor are so thankful to have had such support for our Adopt-A-Family program from the entire community. I feel honored that the realtor and financial communities, as a group, came out to support Astor and learn more about the impact we are making on so many vulnerable lives in the community," says James McGuirk, Ph.D., Executive Director/CEO, Astor.

Crowley, of Paula Redmond Real Estate, said, "Having had the opportunity to see firsthand the work Astor is doing to meet needs in the community made this a 'no brainer' for me to help organize."

About Astor:

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 more than 6,000 children and families annually in over 33 locations, Astor's current range of services in the Hudson Valley (Dutchess, Orange and Ulster counties) and the Bronx include: Residential Programs (for children ages 5-14 who have severe behavior and mental health challenges); Early Childhood Programs (in Dutchess County, Astor operates the Early Head Start and Head Start Programs, which are federal early childhood programs for low-income families); and Community-Based Behavioral Health and Prevention Services (outpatient mental health services).

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