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Friendly charitable efforts

OHIO and PENNSYLVANIA – Friends Business Source (FBS) gives to local food banks during the 2011 holiday season and sponsors a family in need.

FBS hosts philanthropic promotions they titled “Donate a Turkey” and “Drive for Charity”, both of which benefited local food banks throughout Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Through their Donate a Turkey promotion, customers who placed \$1000.00 orders from November 1 through November 21 were able to have a turkey donated in their name by FBS to a local food bank nearest them. 81 turkeys were donated.

Food banks that benefitted included Northwest Ohio Foodbank, West Ohio Foodbank, Mid-Ohio Foodbank, Second Harvest Foodbank, Akron-Canton Regional Foodbank, and Mercer County Community Food Warehouse.

The Drive for Charity promotion lasted from December 1 through December 21. This promotion involved the delivery personnel of FBS. Customers of FBS could reach out to their Friends Representative and ask for a corrugated box(es) to fill with needed food items like boxed goods, bottled 100% juices, canned goods or toiletries. FBS Drivers picked up the boxes of goods and delivered them to a food bank or local charity for the customer.

FBS drivers picked up approximately 1,500 items this season. These efforts benefitted organizations like The Putnam County Thrift Shop, Forest United Methodist Church, Mercer County Food Warehouse, The PCMA Food pantry, and more.

FBS also learned of a customer’s employee who was in a tough spot this 2011 holiday season due to medical expenses from a Friends Account Manager. Beyond the company’s efforts, FBS employees worked to support the individual and their family by sponsoring them for Christmas. FBS employees raised nearly \$500 in funds and gathered canned goods, purchased a turkey and even gifts for the individual’s family.

For more information about philanthropy opportunities through FBS, please contact the Friends Business Source Marketing Department by emailing inform@friendsoffice.com or call the corporate number 800.427.1704 and dialing extension 1127.

Friends Business Source is one of Ohio’s largest independently owned office supply dealers. For over 45 years, Friends has been partnering with companies and school districts throughout Ohio, southeastern Michigan, and now in Pennsylvania, in order to maintain the best service and supply of office and school related products. They specialize in office supplies, office furniture, catalog machines, educational services and supplies, coffee supplies and technology, custom print orders, promotional products, branded apparel, as well as janitorial and break room supplies. As a single source supplier, Friends truly has everything for people at work.

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