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MAKE A DIFFERENCE VOLUNTEERING Create Change This Holiday Season

LAS VEGAS, November. 18-- HELP of Southern Nevada, a local nonprofit serving Las Vegas for 39 years announced volunteer opportunities this fall, which will serve over 13,000 families in Southern Nevada for upcoming holiday events: Turkeython, Thanksgiving Distribution, Toy Drive and Toy Distribution.

Volunteers will help with applications, collecting and sorting food and the distribution of food to clients for the Thanksgiving program. Thanksgiving turkeys will be handed out to those households who qualify November 24th, 25th, and the morning, of the 26th in the parking lot of HELP of Southern Nevada, located at 1640 East Flamingo Road.

2007 HELP provided over 1400 households turkey and all the fixings for Thanksgiving dinner. This year HELP of Southern Nevada anticipates this number to be over 1500 households. Clients must apply prior to the distribution dates for the Thanksgiving program call 702-369-4357 for more information.

For holiday assistance and the toy drive volunteers will assist with applications, collecting and sorting toys and personal shopping with the families in the HELP toy store. Residents of Southern Nevada who are in need of assistance this holiday season must apply prior to December 15th, 2008.

Stacy Brazill, Chairperson of the board for HELP of Southern Nevada, has been volunteering for holiday programs for eight years and this year she sees the face of needs changing in our community. "People who have never accessed services before are now entering the system for the first time, the need for community volunteers is even greater. To volunteer this holiday season contact Debbie Kehl at 702-369-4357 ext. 247 or email dkehl@HELPSONV.ORG

HELP of Southern Nevada works with low income families and individuals helping them become more self-sufficient through direct services, training and referrals. The programs available to the community; Weatherization, Community Alternative Sentencing, WORC, Holiday programs, Emergency Resources, Homeless and Youth Services and Nevada 2-1-1 call center. For more information, call HELP of Southern Nevada at 702-369-4357 or visit us at WWW.HELPSONV.ORG

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