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### **TEAM's Toys 4 Kids Valley Toy Drive Underway**

Derby, CT, Nov. 12, 2019--- The 2019 Valley Toys 4 Kids Campaign is underway and TEAM, Inc. is hoping to provide over 1,300 needy Valley children with something special under their Christmas tree this year. This campaign collects new, unwrapped toys for the under-served children in our communities

The annual Toys 4 Kids program provides thousands of Christmas toys for children from low income families across the Valley – children who otherwise might “go without” during the holidays. Last year due to the generosity of our community, our agency provided 1,287 children with toys to place under their Christmas trees.

Donations of new unwrapped toys to the Toys4Kids Program can be dropped off at TEAM, Inc. headquarters, 30 Elizabeth Street in Derby, weekdays between 8:30am and 4:30pm, the Toys 4 Kids, Toy Store, 430 Corum Ave. Shelton from 9:00 to 4:00 and various drop-off sites throughout the Valley.

Financial donations are accepted and should be sent to TEAM, Inc., Toys 4 Kids Campaign, 30 Elizabeth Street, Derby, CT. 06418.

“The expense of the holiday season often impacts the budgets of the families we serve significantly,” states David Morgan, CEO of TEAM. “For those families with children, parents are often overwhelmed trying to fit the expense of gifts into an already stretched budget. Our Toys 4 Kids toy drive assists parents or guardians in providing presents to their children during tough economic times. Contributions to TEAM’s Toys4Kids Toy Drive—either through donations of toys or monetary donations helps our families to provide a festive holiday for their children.”

Applications for the program are currently being accepted weekdays from 9am to 4pm until December 13<sup>th</sup> at TEAM, Inc.’s headquarters located at 30 Elizabeth Street in Derby. Parents/Guardians who apply for the program must meet low income eligibility requirements and proof of residence for themselves and a birth certificate or social security card for their children.

For additional information on donations contact Lisa Savoid at 203-736-5420 Ext 1221.

For additional information about the application process, contact Jamie Peterson at 203-736-5420 ext. 2021.

*TEAM Inc. is a private, 501c (3) non-profit corporation whose mission is to connect individuals and families with solutions that lead to well-being, self-sufficiency and full participation in the community. It aims to achieve its mission by conducting activities that address the needs of economically disadvantaged individuals and families including resource mobilization, education, advocacy and service delivery. TEAM programs serve the communities of Ansonia, Beacon Falls, Bethany, Derby, Milford, Orange, Oxford, Shelton, Seymour and Woodbridge.*