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A Community Gives ... The 34th Annual Thanks for Giving Program, November 20 – 23

Marietta, Ga. (November 8, 2019) — The Center for Family Resources will be holding its 34th annual Thanks for Giving holiday food distribution program November 20-23, at IMAAW Local Lodge 709, 1032 S. Marietta Parkway SE, Marietta, 30060.

The annual program relies on the commitment and generosity of the Cobb County community. Schools, civic groups, churches and corporate organizations across the county host drives to collect holiday food items, which are distributed to struggling local families in time for them to prepare a homemade Thanksgiving meal. Alongside the green beans, stuffing mixes and other traditional holiday ingredients, the food boxes include a grocery store gift certificate for a turkey, ham or other meat of the family's choice. And, because the week of Thanksgiving can be a strain on families' food budgets while children are home from school, the Thanks for Giving boxes also pack extra grocery items, such as peanut butter and breakfast cereal, to provide quick meals and lessen parents' anxieties about feeding their children.

The Center for Family Resources thanks the following lead sponsors of the 2019 Thanks for Giving program. Their generous support will provide as many as 1,000 Cobb County Thanksgiving meals to local families and individuals:

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Thanks also to the many other local sponsors and donors who have contributed to the program to help ensure all families registered to receive food boxes will be served, including those who conducted and donated to food drives benefiting the Thanks for Giving program.

Arrangements to pick up donated food items to benefit Thanks for Giving will be made with participating schools. All other organizations hosting a food drive are reminded to drop off food items at IAMAW Local Lodge 709 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on November 20 or 21. Families who have pre-registered to receive a Thanks for Giving box will pick up their Thanks for Giving holiday box either Friday, November 22 or Saturday, November 23.

For more information on the Center for Family Resources and the Thanks for Giving program, please visit www.thecfr.org/t4g.

Since 1960, the Center for Family Resources has annually helped more than 10,000 low-income families with temporary financial and food assistance, housing, and employment and education services. By “empowering families to help themselves,” the staff at the Center for Family Resources is committed to breaking the cycle of poverty by helping families acquire the resources needed to become independent and self-sufficient.

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