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HARC / The Hartford Together Again for the Sixth Year! United Way's Day of Caring 2010

(Hartford, CT) September 3, 2010 marked the 6th anniversary of the partnership between HARC and The Hartford for United Way's Day of Caring activities.

HARC hosted two teams from The Hartford: one team of 20 people at the HARC offices on Asylum Avenue coordinated by - of The Hartford, for the "Lifesaver Project," and another team of 14 people led by - of The Hartford, at HARC's Woodland Avenue Group Home for Children in Bloomfield.

The team at HARC joined HARC participants and staff from the Life Enrichment Program for senior citizens and HARC's Bulova Center, for individuals with complex support needs, to collate and staple for the "Lifesaver Project." Then the entire group enjoyed pizza and soda provided by The Hartford. HARC participant Andy R., provided entertainment, with his beautiful solo singing performance, and also led the entire group in a sing-along.

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According to -, in the - Division at The Hartford, “Many employees from The Hartford requested to come back to HARC this year because they had such a terrific, positive experience last year – this day really is a highlight for us!”

Shirley Boron, Vice President / Employment & Day Services at HARC says, “It was great to see some of the same faces back again this year – as we have in past years. We have truly enjoyed our partnership with the employees from The Hartford for United Way’s Day of Caring, and look forward to seeing them next year again. It means a great deal to us at HARC, to see people from the community interacting so well with our participants, and having such fun!”

The Hartford team at Woodland did “deep-cleaning” projects in the group home and enjoyed a tour of the home and meeting the young residents. Jenna Rompelman, Public Relations and Development Assistant, and HARC coordinator of Day of Caring, says, “The group from The Hartford at Woodland came out showing such tremendous energy and warmth, even in spite of the inclement weather. The house sparkles from top to bottom now and the group even volunteered to come back at a later date to do the originally scheduled project, staining the deck.”

Everyone involved was very pleased with the day and the deepening of the partnership between HARC and The Hartford.

This marked the 19th United Way Day of Caring.

About HARC

HARC is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of people with intellectual disability and their families. It was founded in 1951 by families, long before community services were available and institutionalization was the only option. HARC is now a strong advocate for civil rights and opportunities, and a major provider of clinical and supportive programs that span the entire lifetime: early intervention (Birth-to-Three), family support, respite care, employment and day services, residential, recreation, behavioral health and elderly services.

HARC is a Community Investment Partner of United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut and serves Greater Hartford.

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