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## APP Brings Cheer to Hearts With a Mission

Several homeless and at-risk youth received some Christmas cheer last week, by way of Asante Physician Partners.



A group of APP employees raised \$755 and used it to assemble 30 Christmas stockings, which were delivered last Wednesday to Medford's Hearts with a Mission facility. The stockings were handed out to youths who were staying at the transitional home on Christmas Eve and Christmas day.

The APP fundraising and stocking-stuffing effort was led by Alana Hollins and Jennifer Podvin, patient account representatives in the APP' business office; Charlotte Kurner, staff assistant in APP administration office; and Carrie Winner, manager of the Asante Counseling Services business office.

Hearts with a Mission is a faith-based organization that is licensed by the state to provide shelter, educational support, mentoring and transition planning for homeless, runaway and transitional-living youths between the ages of 10 and 17. Its facility at 521 Edwards St. in Medford can accommodate as many as 17 youths per night, according to the [Hearts with a Mission website](#).

Hearts with a Mission was created in March 2007 and received a Community Development Block Grant through the city of Medford in 2008. The organization then purchased and renovated its Edwards Street property, and opened in December 2009 as a state-licensed Child-Caring Agency.

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