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Sisters Helping Sisters:

Teamsters Local 853 Women's Committee Show Solidarity To Families in Need This Holiday Season

WHAT:

Oakland CA.--On Monday, **November 25, 2013**, the Teamsters Local 853 Women's Committee, Sisters in Solidarity (SIS), will be arriving at the Alameda County Social Services Agency's Eastmont Self-Sufficiency Center bearing gifts of generosity to help alleviate hardships faced by many needy households this winter season.

In teamster fashion, the Sisters of Solidarity will be delivering a truckload of much needed clothing, blankets, food, and other necessities for families and individuals receiving public assistance who would have otherwise faced a very challenging holiday season.

The Eastmont Garden of Hope came into bloom in May 2011 through the efforts of Social Services employee Pertrena Coleman. With the help of Ms. Coleman and several dedicated volunteers, the Eastmont Garden of Hope receives and distributes donated clothing, hygiene products, household items, canned goods, and other necessities to Social Services clients year-round. Whether providing food for a struggling family, a warm coat for a shivering child, or diapers for a desperate mother's newborn, the Eastmont Garden of Hope seeks to ensure that those in greatest need are served expeditiously and with utmost compassion.

WHEN:

Monday, November 25, 2013 – 3:30 p.m.

WHO:

Social Services Agency staff and volunteers and members of Teamsters Local 853 Women's Committee, Sisters in Solidarity (SIS) will be present.

WHERE:

**Alameda County Social Services Agency
Eastmont Self-Sufficiency Center
6955 Foothill Blvd, Suite 100
Oakland, CA 94605**

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