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OF DORCHESTER**

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Dear Friend,

Since 2007, the teens of The Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester have had the privilege of being the recipients of gifts and events sponsored by **The Under the Tree Foundation**. This partnership developed when we were approached by a young man named Jonathan Woods who wanted to make a difference in the lives of teens as he realized the average age of children included in gift giving drives was 5-10 yrs old. Jonathan decided to create a foundation to provide gifts for 12 – 17 year olds at Christmas and call it the Under the Tree Foundation.

As President of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester, I know firsthand that the teens who receive the very generous gifts from the UTTF, are thrilled with the gift, but are also grateful to know that others care about them and their happiness. We serve over 4000 children and a large population of teens are included in that number. In so many ways, they are the age group that is most in need of services and so often, society as a whole overlooks them. We feel privileged to serve this age group-they inspire us, they instill hope in us and with everyone's help, they can beat the odds.

Jonathan's commitment to serve young adults is quite admirable. There are many things about Jonathan that continue to impress me as we work together; he found something he passionately believes in and made it happen, his ability to create a generous spirit amongst others-he does not focus solely on the action of financial giving, but at his very young age understands the difference between being "charitable" and being a true "philanthropist" and his desire to help others without personal gain, benefit or recognition of any kind-all amazing qualities and very commendable, especially in a teenager. The children, families, and staff here at the Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester are thankful to Jonathan and his family. At Christmastime and throughout the year, Jonathan and the Under the Tree Foundation make a difference in the lives of hundreds of teens.

Sincerely,


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