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St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities Relocates Distribution Center

New Albany, Ind. (November 16, 2015) – St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities (SECC) celebrated the opening of their new Marie’s Ministry Community Distribution Center to 305 E. 7th St. in New Albany with a ribbon cutting on Monday, November 16th. The celebration showcased the seventh Affordable Supportive Housing units in the duplex located at 617/619 E. Market, a project that the City of New Albany Economic Development partnered with. The ceremony also noted the fully renovated exterior of the old Holy Trinity Rectory featuring new exterior paint. SECC is a non-profit organization, serving all of Southern Indiana and Metro Louisville and is dedicated to providing for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of their clients.

Marie’s Ministry was originally established to assist with those in SECC’s shelter program who lacked basic needed items. In 2014, 560 families were given donations of diapers, wipes, formula, and baby food valued at \$30,253. With the 305 E. 7th Street location allowing for over 2,000 square feet of additional space, the new distribution center should be able to double those numbers in the coming years.

SECC credits the following donors that made it possible to build upon Marie’s Ministry through cash, grants, and in-kind supplies: Sisters of Charity; Archdiocese of Indianapolis; Eastside Christian Church; Christ Gospel Church International; Holy Family; St. John Starlight; Sacred Heart; St. John Paul II ; Providence High School; Koetter Construction; Tyco Construction; MAC Construction; PC Lumber; Libs Paving; Earth First; Lynn Armstrong Architects; Hazel and Walter T. Bales Foundation; PC Lumber; Nance’s Florist; Walnut Ridge; Hawkeye Security and from The Dining Hall at IUS, who assisted in moving everything for the new building.

About St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities:

St. Elizabeth’s opened in May 1989 as a crisis pregnancy center. Today, St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities provides 9 different programs to the community. These services include: an Adoption Bridges of Kentuckiana, an Emergency Maternity Home, a Transitional Shelter, Affordable Supportive Housing, Marie’s Ministry Community Distribution Program for mom and baby items, Mental Health Counseling, a Supported Living Program, CASA in Floyd and Washington Counties, and Supervised Visitation. St. Elizabeth provides adoption services for both domestic and international adoptions, and lifelong counseling and support for birthmothers and adoptive families. St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities is a COA accredited agency and has served families throughout Southern Indiana and the Louisville Metro area for 25 years. To learn more visit www.stcharities.org

About One Southern Indiana:

One Southern Indiana (1si) was formed in July of 2006 as the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development organization serving Clark and Floyd Counties. 1si's mission is to provide the connections, resources and services that help businesses innovate and thrive in the Southern Indiana/Louisville metro area.

Since its inception, the organization has evolved to include a three-prong approach to serve its members and investors. Business Resources, as the chamber side of the organization, encompasses membership, signature events and programs which support and encourage business growth; Economic Development works to grow the regional economy through the attraction of new commerce and assists with retention and expansion of existing businesses; Advocacy supports businesses at the government level by engaging in the initiatives to preserve, protect and promote a business friendly environment free of obstacles to growth and development of commerce. For more information on One Southern Indiana: www.1si.org.