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Maryland's Social Services Agency



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**KENT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND COMMUNITY
PARTNERS PROVIDE HOLIDAY MEALS**

BALTIMORE – The Kent County Department of Social Services Social Services Adults Program provides services that enable and assist adults to achieve or maintain self-sufficiency in the community. In the spirit of giving, the department delivered 18 meals to adult customers in the community. This effort was initiated because many of these individuals would be alone for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The following community partners assisted the department with donations, Order of the Eastern Star Chestertown Chapter #86, Rev. Jim Van de Wal, Carol Droge, Carol Milander, Chaplain Jan Ayers and Pete of Chestertown Superfresh.

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The Maryland Department of Human Resources is the state's social service provider. The agency collaborates with 24 local jurisdictions to: provide foster care, adoption, and protective services to children; collect and distribute child support payments; provide protective services, case- management, supportive housing, in-home aide services, and respite care to vulnerable adults; and provide temporary cash, food stamps, and medical assistance to families. It also funds programs for homeless persons, refugees, and migrant- workers, victims of crime and women who are displaced, battered, or assaulted. Last year, DHR served 760,000 people in need. In terms of its annual budget, DHR is Maryland's fourth largest state agency