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Serving The People Of The New Community Network

## Family Service Bureau

### Holiday Cheer And Goals For 2019

Family Service Bureau is a voluntary nonprofit service agency that has been servicing the city of Newark since 1882. Family Service Bureau has two locations: one in Newark and one in Kearny. We have been able to work with numerous clients due to the great staff we have and several interns that we have throughout the year.

The holiday season is very hard for people, especially some of the clients we serve at FSB. We try to make it better for them once they walk into our offices. You will immediately see the holiday spirit. Within the agency, there are several programs in which we serve children, families and adults needing one-on-one assistance, including crisis counseling for children, mental health, domestic violence and substance abuse. We also have anger management and parenting groups.

We have over 15 different programs and have been able to make the holidays great this year, especially with the help of NCC Board Member and Outreach Coordinator Madge Wilson and her team. We were able to give 300 gifts, including toys, clothes and coats for children and their families. Additionally, NJ Cares donated over 75 new coats for the children we have. The FSB staff and interns have also been a great help in getting these gifts out and helping organize them. We thank all for helping to give some of our clients the one and only toy or gift for the season. This is what the holiday season is all about: giving to people.

Empowering our clients to have hope and know that recovery is possible is our goal and the team at FSB does that all year round, not only during the holidays. Our several different programs have been responding to and assisting the community with learning to cope in these tough times and helping them get through the holidays. We have been working six days a week in our Kearny office and it has been great, especially for those parents that can't make weekday appointments.

Our goal for 2019 is to continue to serve our community and have our programs be accessible and able to assist with the needs of this very vulnerable population. We look forward to a great 2019!

If you have any questions, call us at 973-412-2056 for our Newark office and 201-246-8077 for our Kearny office.