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PRESS RELEASE

**District Attorney's Office
Donates to Safe Harbor**

The Chester County District Attorney's Office donated over \$500 to Safe Harbor of Chester County. Located in the heart of West Chester, Safe Harbor seeks to feed the homeless and provide shelter to those who need it.

Staff from the District Attorney's Office came up with the idea of donating to Safe Harbor. Once a month, the District Attorney staff gets to dress down for the day, and pays a nominal sum into a fund for the privilege. The DAO staff decided that the fund should be donated to a different charity every year. For the first year they chose Safe Harbor.

District Attorney Hogan stated, "I am very proud of the District Attorney staff. They thought long and hard about who could use this donation, and Safe Harbor was a natural choice. Safe Harbor does outstanding work in providing food and shelter to the homeless. The generosity of our staff is a great example of charity starting close to home."

Basil Joy, an alumni of the District Attorney's Office who is on the Board of Directors for Safe Harbor, added, "I'm profoundly grateful that my former colleagues made the decision to support Safe Harbor, and I'm not at all surprised. The Chester County DAO is all heart. They recognize that addressing poverty helps improve the criminal justice system." Joy currently is an attorney with Fox Rothschild in Exton, Pennsylvania.

For the upcoming year, the District Attorney staff already has chosen a new charity for the dress down day funds. Fittingly, the DA staff will be making a donation to the Chester County Hero Fund, a charity that supports first responders injured in the line of duty.

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