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LOCAL SCHOOL COUNSELORS THROW FALL FESTIVAL FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN ON MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

Louisville, KY—On October 24, 2009, in coordination with national Make a Difference Day, the Jefferson County Counselor Association, representing over 200 elementary, middle and high school counselors, hosted a fall celebration for homeless children and their parents living at Volunteers of America's Family Emergency Shelter:

There was pizza and refreshments, face painting, karaoke singing, arts and crafts, an outdoor obstacle course, and information booth for all JCPS students/parents. National Guard representatives were on hand to help staff booths during the festival.

Millions of Americans across the country spent the day—the 19th Annual Make a Difference Day—doing volunteer projects to improve their communities and help neighbors in need. The day is the largest community service effort in the nation, rallying corporations, government leaders, charitable organizations and everyday Americans into action on one day.

ABOUT VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA OF KENTUCKY

Founded in 1896, Volunteers of America of Kentucky creates positive change in the lives of individuals and communities through a ministry of service. Our Family Emergency Shelter is the oldest continually operated shelter of its kind in the region. The shelter is dedicated to keeping homeless families together. The program supports two-parent families with children of all ages in the same location. Learn more at www.voaky.org.

ABOUT MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

For more information about Make A Difference Day, please call the Make A Difference Day Hot Line at 1-800-416-3824. More information and a national databank of local project plans are available at the Web site makeadifferenceday.com.

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