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**CFPIN Provides Mother's Day Gifts for Low-Income Families**

**LINCOLN, Neb. (April 29, 2010)** – Children who would otherwise be unable to buy Mother's Day gifts will be able to select and wrap presents for their mothers at no cost, thanks to an annual program administered by the Center for People in Need.

The 2010 Mother's Day event will be held 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, May 1, at the Center for People in Need, 3901 N. 27<sup>th</sup> St., Unit 1. An estimated 400 mothers received a Mother's Day gift through the program in 2009.

Accompanied by volunteer "personal shoppers," Children ages 5-18 will choose a special Mother's Day gift for their mothers from the hundreds on display in the Center's distribution hall. Volunteers will also help the children wrap their gifts. So that the children can keep the gift a secret until Mother's Day on May 9, parents will wait in a separate area. There is no cost to the families.

"For our clients just getting by day by day is hard enough—there's no slack for the little extras that ease the pressure of daily living," said Executive Director Beatty Brasch. "Programs like the

Mother's Day event provide something beyond the basic needs. By putting a smile on the faces of mothers and children we help them gain the confidence to tackle the education and job training programs we offer. It can be an important step toward employment and self sufficiency," said Brasch.

Families must have an income at or below 150 percent of the federal poverty level and bring their Center or ServicePoint card. New clients need to bring a photo identification, proof of income and piece of mail for proof of current address.

Volunteers are still needed for the event. Please call Kristi Medjo if you are interested in volunteering at 476-4357 ext. 158.

*The Center for People in Need, 3901 N. 27<sup>th</sup> St., Unit 1, provides comprehensive services and opportunities to support low-income, high needs families and individuals as they strive to lift themselves out of poverty and achieve economic self-sufficiency. More information on the Center's programs is available at [centerforpeopleinneed.org](http://centerforpeopleinneed.org).*

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