



Team Navient supports 30 Delaware-area children for the holidays

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WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 13, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- This holiday season, 30 children from 10 families in the First State are receiving warm clothing like coats, boots and hats, electronic games and toys, grocery gift cards, and many other items on their wish lists, thanks to Team Navient and the company's employee activity committee.

This year, Navient employees raised more than \$12,000 through fundraising efforts like the popular dunk tank at the company's annual fall picnic event. In addition, employees raised money through the company's Jeans BeCause program, which gives participating employees a "pass" to dress casually in exchange for volunteer donations.

The raised funds will support a merry holiday season for many families served by Delaware's Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families. The department's social workers collected a list of needs from the families, and Navient employees volunteered to fulfill their wish lists. The year-long effort culminates in a gift presentation to parents and caregivers.

"Think of a Child First really helped my family out this year, especially my daughter who suffers from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder," said Shylanea, one mom served by the program who attended the gift presentation ceremony at Navient's Newark office. "This is our first year participating in the program and I know she will be really happy about the gifts."

This holiday season marks nine years of Navient participation in "Think of a Child First" program. The company's tradition of supporting area families during the holidays started in 2009 with the help of employee Judi Beamer.

Delaware's Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families supports the needs of area families dealing with financial problems, medical issues, substance abuse and other challenges year-round. To learn more about services available to Delaware families in need, visit kids.delaware.gov.

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