

Press Release

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***Kids Closet at the Haven Hospice Attic* donation drive begins Supports children in need in Alachua County**

(GAINESVILLE)— In 2009, more than 400 children were homeless on any given day. As a community, we must support those in need. Haven Hospice and the Homeless Education Program of Alachua County Public Schools are partnering together to present “*Kids Closet at the Haven Hospice Attic.*”

The event will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sat., Oct. 23 at the Haven Hospice Attic, 300 N.W. 8th Ave. All children in need are encouraged to attend.

The community is asked to donate new or gently-used clothing, such as jackets, coats, pants, shirts, belts, shoes, and collared shirts for all sizes and genders at the following designated locations in Alachua County:

- Haven Hospice Attic
- Gateway Bank (39th Ave. and 43rd St.)
- Meridian Behavioral Healthcare
- AVMED
- The Village
- Haven Hospice
- Comfort Keepers
- Oak Hammock
- Care Tenders
- North Florida Rehab and Specialty Care
- Trinity United Methodist Church
- Westside Baptist Church
- Queen of Peace
- The Rock of Gainesville

For more information, please contact Courtney Allen with the Homeless Education Program at 352-955-7070 or Elisabeth Scott with Haven Hospice at 352-538-7995.

Together, we can help Alachua County families.

About Haven Hospice

Haven Hospice is North Florida’s expert in end-of-life and palliative care and has been recognized as a national Circle of Life Award® winner for leadership in improving the care of patients near the end of life or with life-threatening conditions. Haven Hospice has also been recognized as a Florida Pacesetter for its leadership in promoting advance directives. Haven Hospice has served more than 45,000 patients and families since 1979 and has been licensed in Florida as a not-for-profit hospice since 1980. The organization is home to offices in Chiefland, DeLand, Gainesville, Jacksonville, Lake City, Palatka and St.

Augustine, covering 18 counties and more than 13,000 square miles. For more information, visit www.havenhospice.org or call 800-727-1889.

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