



CHILDREN'S HOME FOUNDATION

Fax #394-6633 City Attorney's Office

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Dear City Attorney's Office:

Children's Home Society is South Dakota's oldest, non-profit, human services agency. Our organization currently serves more than 2400 South Dakota children per year by providing emergency shelter, residential treatment, special education programs, adoption and foster care services, forensic interview and physical examination centers and abuse prevention services. The majority of the children we serve are victims of severe abuse and neglect.

Services are provided in the Rapid City Community at Black Hills Children's Home near Rockerville, the emergency foster home located at Messengers Children's Center in Rapid Valley and the Black Hills Child Advocacy Center located in the Black Hills Pediatrics Building.

Project Warmth, an entity of the Black Hills Quilter's Guild, recently donated a queen-size quilt to CHS. We are planning to raffle this quilt as a fund raising project. Raffle tickets will be available through CHS employees, as well as online through our website and Facebook page. We plan to sell chances for \$10 each or 3 for \$25 and would like to start the sale of raffle tickets in February. The drawing for the quilt will be held four to six weeks after the sale of raffle tickets begins.

Proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward enriching the lives of the children we serve by adding to the Black Hills Children's Home Creative Arts Endowment. Most of the children in our care have had little or no exposure to the arts. Creative opportunities allow them to express themselves in a positive way, cultivate talent, develop social skills and build self-esteem. These funds will provide resources for the "Artist in Residence" program as well as creative writing, musical and artistic opportunities.

If you have additional questions please contact me or my assistant, Theresa Schreiner, at 343-2811.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Darla Crown
Development Officer

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