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Insurance Associates, Inc. Joins Forces with Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless (MCCH) by Adopting a Veteran

Insurance Associates' Employees Donate Necessary Household Items and Help a Local Veteran Move Into His New Home

Throughout the month of October 2015, employees of Insurance Associates donated different types of items one would need if they were moving into a new home for the first time. These items included: Food, Toiletries, Cooking Supplies, Kitchen Supplies, Linens and other Household Items. The agency itself provided brand new furniture. Then on the move-in date, October 28th, a team of six employees went out to move in Michael, a six year Navy veteran. Employees stocked his kitchen cabinets with as much food as it could hold, assembled new furniture, and moved in everything else that was needed to make Michael's home complete. Several of Insurance Associates employees also went back the very next day to continue to put together more furniture that was delivered. "It was very important to us to make Michael's transformation into a new home complete," said Stephen A. Spencer, President of Insurance Associates, Inc.

Michael served in the Navy for six years as a submariner working on missile guidance systems. Once Michael came back from his service he dealt with an unimaginable amount of stress from being homeless and from becoming ill from cancer. He is now successfully working the 12 step program to help with achieving sobriety, and his goal is to lead a happy productive life helping others get to the same place where he is today.

"Meeting Michael, hearing his story, and seeing how much our contributions mean to someone is a remarkable experience. I didn't realize the impact we would have until I was actually there meeting Michael myself. We truly believe in the mission of MCCH and feel that it is our duty to support their efforts to help end veteran homelessness," said Troy Snyder, Director of Employee Benefits at Insurance Associates, Inc.

Founded in 1956, Insurance Associates is an independent insurance agency serving the Mid-Atlantic region with offices in Rockville, Fairfax, and Towson. We are a locally owned company that prides itself on having one of the most competent, experienced, and longest tenured workforces of any agency in the area. We advocate for our clients across a diverse range of products and services including Surety Bonding, Commercial Insurance, Employee Benefit Plans, Personal Insurance and Life Insurance.

Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless (MCCH) provides solutions to ensure that homelessness in Montgomery County is rare, brief, and nonrecurring. MCCH programs serve over 1,400 homeless and formerly homeless men, women, and children. This year, MCCH is co-leading Montgomery County's efforts in Zero: 2016, a nationwide campaign to end veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 and chronic homelessness by the end of 2016. For more information, visit www.mcch.net.

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