



# LACASA

Compassion. Courage. Hope.

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Happy New Year!

We cannot thank you enough for your support of LACASA's 2016 holiday Adopt a Family program. The amazing outpouring of support our community provides for families in need is awe-inspiring. We are incredibly grateful for your generosity – your heartfelt giving that has touched our clients and given them the important message that they are valued and that other people (you) care about them.

Your generosity, and that of other program sponsors, gave victims and at-risk families a Christmas they could not possibly have experienced otherwise. Many of the clients we serve come to us with very little – often times having escaped dangerous situations with nothing more than the clothes they were wearing and a few personal items. Others are young parents just starting out who grew up in a negative environment and are struggling to provide for their families and raise their children in a healthy, stable home.

The support of our Adopt a Family sponsors meant that parents who could not otherwise have afforded to do so were given the opportunity to experience the joy of their children opening gifts. It meant that Christmas was filled with fun and excitement for these children. It also meant that parents, many of whom have great difficulty asking for anything for themselves, were made to feel special this holiday season.

On behalf of the families we serve – and all of us at LACASA – I thank you for giving of your time, your personal resources and your hearts. We are truly blessed to live and work in a community as caring as this one.

Wishing you all the best in the New Year.

Gratefully,

*Deanna Norris*

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Community Engagement Director

*Thank you to everyone at SVT  
for your amazing generosity!  
We are so very grateful to  
each and every one of you  
and hope you know you are  
truly making a difference.  
Happy New Year!*