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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Media News Directors

FROM: Robert Wilson – Assistant Commission Administrative Officer

DATE: December 6, 2011

RE: Press Release

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**MINNEHAHA COUNTY COMMISSION RECOGNIZES TWO SIGNIFICANT  
DONATIONS TO SAFE HOME**

At the Minnehaha County Commission Meeting on Tuesday, December 6, 2011, Commissioners recognized two donations that will be used to furnish Safe Home. Target Bank donated \$25,000 to the Minnehaha County Housing & Redevelopment Commission (MCHRC). The MCHRC is the general partner that owns the Safe Home building. The Minnehaha County Department of Human Services will operate the Safe Home program within the building.

The second gift is a collection of donations organized by a group of local women who are deeply committed to the mission of Safe Home. They are: Carol Twedt, Anne Hajek, Mary Dean Janklow, Diane Metli and Georgia Hanson. Through their efforts this group raised \$26,102.

Furniture and furnishings for Safe Home are not part of the building's construction costs, and have been covered entirely through donations and community support. This means contributions like the ones recognized today are instrumental in the program's success.

If you have any questions, please contact Minnehaha County Human Services Director Carol Muller at 605-367-4217.

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