Laborers' District Council Charity Fund

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<u>LABORERS' DISTRICT COUNCIL CHARITY FUND DONATES</u> \$20,000 TO JENKINTOWN DAY NURSERY



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PHILADELPHIA, PA – The Laborers' District Council Charity Fund donated \$20,000 to Jenkintown Day Nursery, giving them something to truly be thankful for at their annual Thanksgiving celebration. The contribution was presented to JDN in the Qaid Staten Memorial Children's Garden by Samuel Staten, Sr., Business Manager of Philadelphia's Laborers' Local 332.

Jenkintown Day Nursery officials invited Samuel Staten, Sr. to attend their annual Thanksgiving celebration in recognition of the Laborers' District Council Charity Fund's previous and continued support, including a \$20,000 donation, given to JDN by the LDC Charity Fund in 2005.

Staten joined JDN board, staff, children and their families on November 21, 2007 to celebrate Thanksgiving 2007. Staten joined the children in the Qaid Staten Memorial Garden. Qaid, Mr. Staten's 17 year old son, was murdered during a holdup in 2003.

"It was a great honor to be able to present this donation to JDN in the garden dedicated to my son," said Samuel Staten, Sr. "When the garden was first dedicated in 2005, I

pledged the continued support of the LDC Charity Fund for this unique day nursery. This is one way I am keeping my word."

About Jenkintown Day Nursery

Jenkintown Day Nursery is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization working to ensure that no child is turned away for day care based upon his or her family's income. Established in 1903, Jenkintown Day Nursery provides affordable, quality, educational day care to children of working families in need in our community. To continue the mission of our founders, our fees are on a sliding scale and preference is given to those who truly need our help. Jenkintown Day Nursery is committed to excellence in the education and development of the young child within a safe and loving environment. Our fees are based on family size and income and we participate in the Pennsylvania subsidized day care program. JDN has a dedicated volunteer Board of Directors who raise the funds that keep the program affordable to all families. JDN is licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare.

About The Laborers' District Council Charity Fund

The Laborer's District Council Charity Fund's goal is to raise funds to assist charitable organizations that provide services to the needy in the five county area of Philadelphia. The Laborer's District Council has been helping members and their families and the community enjoy a better standard of living by providing jobs and benefits since their charter in 1937. LDC believes in the principles that unionism was founded on: a fair day's pay for a fair day's work, and workers' rights. LDC also believes that next-generation unionism must vigorously pursue workers' rights' based on management and union cooperation and the advancement of member education.

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