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#### **More Hearts and Hands join St. Vincent de Paul's family volunteer day**

PHOENIX - St. Vincent de Paul has teamed up with the Junior League of Phoenix to encourage family volunteerism through SVdP's bi-monthly volunteer event, Hearts and Hands Day. The family volunteer day welcomes families with children of all ages to complete services projects for the needy. Projects include sorting donations, assisting in the thrift store, arts and crafts projects, assembling food boxes, preparing food for our charity dining rooms and much more.

The Junior League, an organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women and improving the community, awarded SVdP a three year grant that will supply funding and volunteer support for Heart and Hands Day. With this additional help, St. Vincent de Paul will offer families the opportunity to serve the less fortunate while saving funding for client programs.

"It's a unique concept and one of the only places in the valley where children and adults volunteer on projects together to learn the value of giving back to the community," said Kitty Langmade, coordinator of Heart and Hands Day for the Junior League. "We look forward to serving the needy in our Phoenix Community together with St. Vincent de Paul."

The next Hearts and Hands Day is Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>.

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*The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving the poor and providing others with the opportunity to serve. Programs include services for the homeless, the incarcerated and their families, medical/dental care for the working poor, charity dining rooms and general assistance for individual's in need.*

PHOTOS ATTACHED – Wendy Cleary and Shasta Ireland with the Junior League of Phoenix help with the setup for Heart and Hands Day at St. Vincent de Paul.

Cierra Walling, 12, sort donations with her family in St. Vincent de Paul's processing center.