



Urgent Request for Donated Furniture to Help Those in Need ***CSS Launches Spring Furniture Drive***

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Lincoln, NE – Catholic Social Services of Southern Nebraska (CSS) is asking the public’s help to fulfill an urgent need for donated furniture to assist those in need. “Requests for furniture are running nearly double the usual demand,” said Katie Patrick, CSS Executive Director. “Those requests come from more than two dozen human service agencies in Lincoln that are trying to help their clients, plus we have a need for used furniture for our own clients.” Patrick said CSS is one of only a handful of agencies in Lincoln that provide used furniture for free to people that are trying to get back on their feet. “That’s why we are launching our *CSS Lincoln Spring Furniture Drive*.”

Items most in demand include:

- Bedroom Furniture: such as beds (sizes Queen, Full and Single), chest of drawers, and nightstands
- Living Room Furniture: such as couches, loveseats, coffee tables, end tables, and lamps
- Kitchen tables and chairs

Donating is simple. Just visit csshope.org/givefurniture to review the CSS donation guidelines and to fill out a simple online screening form. Once approved, CSS will schedule a pickup of items or provide the donor a drop-off time at the CSS warehouse, located at 1300 North 14th Street in Lincoln.

Through its Family Support Services, CSS provides furniture for the new homes of women and their children who have escaped a domestic violence situation with the help of CSS and the St. Gianna program. “We are also one of the lead agencies that help resettle refugees in Lincoln, which involves finding them a place to live and furnish their new home or apartment.” Patrick said CSS has already resettled more refugees this year than all of last year.

CSS is a non-profit organization that has been around for nearly a century helping people in need of all backgrounds and faiths across 24,000 square miles of southern Nebraska. CSS programs include Family Support Services, providing crucial financial assistance; the St. Gianna Program, offering support to survivors of domestic violence and under supported pregnancies; Food Market and Meal Services; Refugee Resettlement; Immigration Legal Services; and Employment Services. CSS can be found at www.csshope.org.