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**A Wider Circle to Run a
Pre-Christmas Emergency Grocery Giveaway
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A Wider Circle, a local nonprofit organization whose mission is to help individuals and families lift themselves out of poverty, is conducting an Emergency Grocery Giveaway on Wednesday, December 23. The giveaway will be held at the Victory Youth Center-Mary Virginia Merrick Center, at 4265 Fourth Street SE, Washington, DC, from Noon until all the food has been distributed. They will also be giving away hats, gloves, mittens and scarves for children and adults.

The reality is that one out of every two children in DC is at risk for hunger. A Wider Circle has decided to take matters into their own hands with the Emergency Grocery Giveaway and the giveaway of warm accessories. The food and warm items will be freely given away with the hope that more bellies will be full and more bodies will be warm this holiday season. More than 3,000 pounds of food will be distributed.

About A Wider Circle – A Wider Circle utilizes a unique holistic approach to serving families in need throughout the region. The organization provides beds, dressers, and other basic need items to families transitioning out of battered women’s and homeless family shelters or to individuals and families that are simply living without life’s necessities. A Wider Circle has furnished the homes of more than 8,000 people this year – children and adults who are sleeping on the floor and living out of plastic garbage bags. They also go into low-income schools, shelters, and community centers to lead educational workshops on topics ranging from healthy self-esteem and stress management to resume writing and financial planning. In 2008, A Wider Circle was named by the Catalogue for Philanthropy as one of the region’s finest small charities.

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