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Citizens' Employees Care

Floyd, VA -- Day after day, many children are involved in accidents and disturbing situations. They are often approached by law enforcement and volunteers of the fire and rescue departments who are strangers to them. This is a frightening situation and having a furry friend to hold is a welcome sight.

To help supply the Sheriff, Rescue, Fire Departments, and Community Action of Floyd County with comforting stuffed animals, ACE, Associated Citizens Employees, sponsored a stuffed animal drive. Over 500 stuffed animals were collected and donated. "This is just one of many good ideas that our employees have to show our support to our community," stated Lori Worrell, Marketing Specialist for Citizens. "Penny Bower, a new employee of Citizens who was formerly enrolled in the local EMT course, recognized the need and presented it to ACE. Citizens' employees donated abundantly to the cause."



Accepting donations from Citizens are Nelthia Barton of the Floyd County Rescue Squad and Tammy Lemons of Community Action.

ACE is a nonprofit group formed by employees Citizens Telephone in 2003. Since its conception, the group has held fundraisers to help victims of Hurricane Katrina, SameFight.org, Medical Charities of Floyd County, and many other worthwhile local organizations. Annually, ACE organizes and holds the Community Yard and Craft Sale at Citizens, located at 220 Webbs Mill Road in Floyd. The next sale will be held on Saturday, May 17 from 7 am – 2 pm. 10x10 spaces are available to the public for only \$10. For more information, contact Donna Smith at 745-9523 or call Citizens during business hours at 745-2111.