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**Charlotte A. Randolph**, *Parish President*

## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Christmas Comes Three Days Early for the Residents of Alidore**

The Lafourche Parish Government Office of Community Action met today with the residents of Alidore to give away toys, clothing and other essential supplies in the wake of the flooding the residents endured last week. Residents gathered at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Alidore this afternoon to receive the donations.

Some of the toys were donated by residents while other were donated as the part of the “Colonel Kringle” toy drive held in cooperation with the Nicholls State University Athletics Department. The toy drive was held on December 3, 2009, during the first home basketball game of the season.

Through donations made by the residents of Lafourche Parish and Catholic Charities of New Orleans, Community Action staff members were able to give out clothing, sheets, blankets, shoes, towels and cleaning supplies to the flood victims of the community.

“The residents of Lafourche Parish are the most generous people in the world,” said Parish President Charlotte Randolph. “Even though these families cannot replace most of the things they lost, we hope these donations can give them a good head start and put a smile on the faces of the children.”

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Community Action Director Denise Hughes presents a toy to a resident.



Residents receive towels and blankets.



A resident accepts Christmas gifts for her children.

