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**CARUSO HOMES GIVES BACK TO THE COMMUNITY THIS HOLIDAY SEASON**

(CROFTON, MD) – Monday, December 31, 2007 – Caruso Homes is making the holidays much brighter for many families this year. The company recently launched a toy and clothing donation drive throughout all of its Virginia new home communities to benefit the Fredericksburg Thurman Brisben Homeless Shelter.

The Thurman Brisben Homeless Shelter is the only emergency shelter of its kind in the Greater Fredericksburg area. Since its inception in 1987, the mission of the Thurman Brisben Center has been to provide emergency shelter, food, self-help programs and referral services to homeless families and individuals. The organization's services are available to those in the City of Fredericksburg and the Counties of Caroline, King George, Spotsylvania and Stafford.

David Herzog, President of Caruso Homes, stated, "Our company takes pride in its philanthropic activities. Assisting the Thurman Brisben Center is rewarding and our lives are enriched knowing we can give back to the community during the holiday season."

Through recent efforts, Caruso Homes has been able to collect new, unwrapped toys for many children and a large variety of adult clothing items. Additionally, financial contributions were collected at each of the Caruso Homes sales centers. Lynn Eisert, Caruso Homes' Director of Virginia Sales, will present all donations to the Thurman Brisben Homeless Shelter on Wednesday, December 13, 2006 at 12:15pm.

Since 1985, homebuyers have counted on Caruso Homes to provide extraordinary design and uncompromising quality of construction. Maintaining the philosophy that the homebuyer deserves exactly the home they are looking for at a price that fits within their budget, Caruso Homes has become a recognized leader within the homebuilding industry. Award-winning Caruso homes are found in communities throughout Maryland and Virginia.

For more information about The Thurman Brisben Homeless Shelter, please visit [www.BrisbenCenter.org](http://www.BrisbenCenter.org). For more information about Caruso Homes and the donation ceremony, please visit [www.CarusoHomes.com](http://www.CarusoHomes.com) or contact Colleen Kittell, Director of Marketing, at 301.261.0277.

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