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### **Sharing the Holiday Spirit**

*(Tuesday, Dec 20, 2005, Lynn, MA)* In response to My Brother's Table's recent appeal for increased donations and turkeys to meet the growing needs in the community this holiday season, the staff of Partners Home Care North's Region's office became inspired to share the holiday spirit in a special way with those who are in need. Over the past month, they collected \$500 to support My Brother's Table's mission to provide meals for its guests in Lynn. Additionally, the Outreach Committee of the Women's Friends Society of Salem joined the effort when they heard about the community's need by donating hand-knit hats, scarves and mittens for the guests of the kitchen as well.

"Our staff's response to My Brother's Table's need is a reflection of our commitment to serving the community, both during the holidays and all through the year. We are happy to help," said Susan Beausoliel, Regional Director of the North Region of Partners Home Care. She joined Carol Ouellett of the Women's Friends Society of Salem at My Brother's Table in Lynn on Tuesday, Dec 20, 2005 when they presented their donations.

"My Brother's Table relies entirely on donations to maintain our mission of providing meals for those in need. It is exciting for us to build these types of relationships that support our efforts," said Ilia Stacy, Executive Director of My Brother's Table. "It shows that people know there are others out there in need."

Partners Home Care is dedicated to providing high-quality, cost-effective home health care services in over 140 towns of eastern, MA, including Lynn, MA. The agency is committed to serving adults and children, including those who might not otherwise receive that care. As a member of Partners HealthCare System, Partners Home Care is affiliated with Union Hospital and the North Shore Medical Center. For more information, go to [www.partnershomecare.org](http://www.partnershomecare.org).

In the heart of Lynn, Massachusetts, My Brother's Table is a model of philanthropy in action. Founded in 1982, 2500 volunteers a year assist a small staff in serving a hot, nutritious meal 365 days a year. An average of 200 hungry, homeless, or lonely people are our dinner guests each day. For more information, go to [www.mybrotherstable.org](http://www.mybrotherstable.org).

Established in 1897 in Salem, MA, The Women's Friends Society is dedicated to supporting women and families in the community. The organization was a pioneer in making visits to the sick in the community, a charitable effort that later became the Salem Visiting Nurse Association that is today a founding member of Partners Home Care.

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