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WV Senior Santa Delivering Gifts to Seniors in Need

Local organizations come together this Christmas in partnership to provide to seniors

SAINT ALBANS, WV – December 20, 2013 – Christmas will be a little brighter this year for seniors in Putnam and surrounding counties, as the WV Senior Santa program delivers gifts of food, clothing, hygiene supplies, gift baskets and more.

Over 100 gifts have been collected by the partnership, and will be delivered by Putnam Aging staff to seniors throughout the area. While most requests have been filled, Putnam Aging still seeks to find sponsors to fill remaining requests. Anyone interested in providing one of the remaining gifts is encouraged to call Karen Johnson at (304)690-3448.

The WV Senior Santa program is a partnership of local organizations including Dr. Bridget Stevens DDS, St Timothy's Lutheran church, Putnam Aging Program, the Christian Faith Center and Academy, and this year the local Veterans of Foreign Wars have also joined in to help. This will be the WV Senior Santa program's 8th year in operation.

Putnam Aging's Mary Ann Riley will also be delivering gift baskets and banana bread to over 50 additional seniors on Monday, December 23, 2013 in affiliation with Putnam Aging's nutrition program. Robin Lewis and Ann Raines, two caregivers with Putnam Aging along with the help of a Putnam Aging client volunteer, have also made Lap Robes that are being given away to local seniors.

A nonprofit serving central West Virginia, Putnam Aging has been providing a variety of services through their partnership with the WV Senior Santa program as well as in-home care and nutrition programs to the elderly and disabled for over 35 years.

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For more information about this topic, or to schedule an interview with members of Putnam Aging's staff or WV Senior Santa contributors, please call Jacob Duchaine (304) 755-2385 Ext 1126 or email JDuchaine@PutnamAging.com