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Metropolitan Family Service Celebrates Senior Corps Week with Presentation to the Governor's Office

Portland, OR—September 20, 2010 – The first ever Senior Corps Week is being celebrated from September 20 to 24 to help shine a spotlight on senior service. The theme is "Making a Difference for Generations."

On Tuesday, September 21, 2010, Metropolitan Family Service will join other Oregon Senior Corps providers in a presentation to Governor Kulongoski's office at 11 a.m. in Salem, Oregon. Karen McPhee, program coordinator for Metropolitan Family Service, will be presenting a poster sized check for \$35.1 million dollars that represents the value of over 1.6 million hours of Senior Corps volunteer service in Oregon. Danny Santos from the Governor's office will be on hand to receive the check for the State of Oregon in honor of 8, 231 Senior Corps volunteers statewide.

Metropolitan Family Service is the Multnomah County provider of RSVP.

RSVP is a Senior Corps program that connects volunteers age 55 and over with service opportunities in their communities that match their skills and availability. To find out more, or to volunteer, contact Heather Pruess at 503.249.8215 ext. 22.

Background Information

About **Metropolitan Family Service**: For 60 years, Metropolitan Family Service has played a vital role in the lives of children, families, and older adults. We provide services at more than 140 sites, including 66 schools. Metropolitan Family Service makes connections that strengthen the lives of 32,000 individuals and families each year.

For more information contact Pat Kaczmarek, Marketing and Communications Manager at 503.232.0007 ext.170, or visit us online at www.metfamily.org.

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IN COMMUNITY LIFE

Senior Corps connects volunteers 55+ with the people and organizations that need them most. Senior Corps currently links more than 500,000 Americans to service opportunities. Their contributions of skills, knowledge, and experience make a real difference to individuals, nonprofits, and faith-based and other community organizations throughout the United States. For more information visit <http://www.seniorcorps.gov>.