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COMMUNITY WISH LIST; Volunteer group helps ill children

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A **Room to Heal** Inc. needs help.

The holidays are traditionally a time of giving, but for some community groups, giving is a year-round activity and the very reason they exist. These are the charities and other nonprofits that help those in our community who are less fortunate.

Sometimes, it's the helpers who need the help. That's why the Press & Sun-Bulletin is again publishing the "Community Wish List," an annual way **to** connect local nonprofit groups with community members.

Here you will find information about local organizations and the ways they help our community and the people in it. With that information, you'll find a list of items those groups need **to** continue **to** do their good works. If you can help, please contact the organization.

Organization: A **Room to Heal** Inc.

Mission: Their mission is **to** create a healing environment in the homes of children affected by serious medical conditions. Their focus is on children in Broome County and surrounding areas who have the most critical need for a healthy environment and who will physically and emotionally benefit from the healing elements they use **to** transform the child's **room**. They serve those families that lack the resources **to** create this kind of experience for their child.

Their wish is **to** be able **to** create "healing environments" in the homes of at least six children in 2007. They exist solely through the work of volunteers, and because their income is purely based on donations from individuals and/or

businesses, their wish is **to** secure funding for these **rooms**, which it is estimated will cost \$3,000 per **room**.

Wish list:

- * Donate money or an item(s) **to** a **room** project.
- * Sponsoring a **room** (estimated cost is \$3,000).
- * Hold a fundraiser **to** raise money for A **Room to Heal**.
- * Donate a service (carpentry, painting, etc.) or special talent toward a **room** project.
- * Bring your staff together **to** help on a particular project as volunteers.

Monetary donations can be sent **to** A **Room to Heal** Inc., c/o Partner's Trust, 825 Vestal Parkway, Vestal, NY 13850.

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If your organization has a Wish List of needs, send us an e-mail telling us what you need. In addition **to** your list of items or services, include the name of your organization, a brief description of your group's mission, and the name and telephone number of a person that potential donors can contact.

E-mail the information **to** ctevyaw@pressconnects.com. We'll publish the list in future editions.

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