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Former Foster Youth Get Help Obtaining Home Essentials

SaintA and the MKE LGBT Community Center will host an event to help former foster youth get set up in their own homes. The H.O.M.E. (Helping Obtain Moving Essentials) Kit event is part of the SaintA Youth Transitioning to Adulthood (YTA) program.

MEDIA INVITED TO ATTEND:

H.O.M.E. KITS EVENT

Nov. 21, 11 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.

Milwaukee LGBT Community Center
1110 N. Market Street, Second Floor
Milwaukee WI 53202



SaintA and MKE LGBT Center staff, peer mentors, and clients available for interviews.

An estimated 200 foster youth age out of care each year in Milwaukee. Without support, youth often experience instability in housing, jobs, health and relationships. They are less likely to attend college and are at risk for attendant problems, like food insecurity, unemployment, and homelessness. Youth who identify as LGBTQ are at increased risk for poor physical and mental health outcomes.

Compliments of SaintA and thanks to a generous anonymous donation, each kit includes: sheets and a 3-piece comforter set; sets of pots and pans; plates, bowls and kitchen utensils; and kitchen and bathroom cleaning products.

SaintA is a human services agency headquartered on Milwaukee's northwest side. Its mission is to facilitate equity, learning, healing, and wellness by restoring the connections that help children and families thrive. It serves 5,000 individuals and families



each day through foster care, adoption and reunification programs; family preservation services; youth transitioning to adulthood programs; outpatient mental health; and at its award-winning public charter school, Capitol West Academy.

The Milwaukee LGBT Community Center is dedicated to serving the needs of LGBTQ people and to making the Greater Milwaukee area safer and more inclusive. It delivers educational, health promotion and community-building services that meet the needs of LGBT youth, adults and their allies in the Greater Milwaukee area. The Center programs are developed with a consideration of community need, diversity and inclusivity, community development, availability of resources and the Center's mission and vision.

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