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Neal Communities contributes \$2,500 to the Children's Network of Southwest Florida

BONITA SPRINGS, Fla. – [Neal Communities](#), southwest Florida's premier, private homebuilder, recently gifted \$2,500 to the [Children's Network of Southwest Florida](#), a private nonprofit agency that administers the child welfare system in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades Counties.

The team in Neal Communities' south region, which encompasses Lee and Collier Counties, donated the money as part of its 2018 charitable contributions. The donation will help serve the 2,500 abused and neglected children in southwest Florida through the Children's Network of Southwest Florida.

"Providing quality care to our children is only possible through partnerships in our community," said Nadereh Salim, CEO of The Children's Network of Southwest Florida. "One of our most valued partners is Neal Communities, a foster-friendly company who is known for building communities of excellence and caring for the families who live there. Their generosity is transforming children's lives every day. Paula Terry, an employee with Neal Communities, and her husband are also one of our quality foster parents who help meet an incredible need by fostering and parenting our children."

Founded in 2003, the nonprofit's mission is to work with the community to protect children and preserve families. The Children's Network of Southwest Florida is responsible for over 2,300 abused and neglected children and delivers a comprehensive local system of care through subcontracts with more than 50 social service agencies. The agency also serves approximately 125 at-risk community children each month through its Diversion Program.

"This agency is extremely close to my heart," said Paula Terry, who is an employee with Neal Communities and a licensed foster parent along with her husband. "Throughout the year and a half I've been a foster parent, the Neal team has supported us all throughout the process, welcoming the children that come in and out of our home and continuously supporting the local agency that helps give new life to disadvantaged children. It's this team spirit and commitment to the community that makes Neal Communities such a wonderful company."

Since September 2016, Terry and her husband have fostered four children through The Children's Network of Southwest Florida. Two of the children were

reunited with their mother in June 2017. The couple also provides respite care, a short-term foster care, and have helped three children through this care.

In 2017, Neal Communities' south region donated a total of \$30,000 to local nonprofits in the Fort Myers and Naples region.

"Each and every year, our team is committed to contributing to the communities where we live, work and play," said Michael Greenberg, president of Neal Communities' south region. "We know that where you live matters, and Neal Communities strives to improve people's lives by doing the right thing and lending a helping hand whenever possible."

About Neal Communities

With over 40 years of building award-winning homes, Neal Communities has over 70 successful communities throughout southwest Florida. The Lakewood Ranch-based builder was named the *Professional Builder* 2015 "Builder of the Year" and was named one of 2012's "America's Best Builders" by *BUILDER Magazine* and voted the "2013 Best Residential Builder in Southwest Florida" in a readers' poll sponsored by *Gulfshore Business Magazine*. The company is ranked No. 1 locally by Metrostudy and by Hanley Wood Market Intelligence based on number of home sales and ranked nationally among the top 50 builders by *BUILDER Magazine*.

To date, Neal has built over 13,000 homes in southwest Florida. As the area's largest and most established, locally owned and operated private builder, Neal Communities is continually striving for excellence in every aspect of the home building and development business. Neal Signature Homes, Neal Land Ventures, Charlene Neal PureStyle, Waterscapes Pools & Spas, Neal Communities Funding, Fiducia Insurance and Allegiant Title Professionals all contribute to the firm's continued, record-setting local success. The company's honors and accolades include numerous Parade of Homes awards, 50 Aurora Awards, 5 Best in American Living Awards and hundreds of local and regional industry awards. For more information, please visit www.NealCommunities.com.

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[Photo attached from left to right: Michael Greenberg, president of Neal Communities' south region; Nadereh Salim, CEO of The Children's Network of Southwest Florida; and Paula Terry, an employee with Neal Communities and a foster parent volunteer for The Children's Network of Southwest Florida]