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### **CHA receives 10,000 coats from Operation Warm, JP Morgan Chase** *Thousands pick up free coats at distribution event*

CHICAGO – About 3,000 Chicago Housing Authority Housing Choice Voucher families picked up free, new winter coats provided by the national non-profit organization Operation Warm and JP Morgan Chase at a distribution event Saturday at the UIC Forum.

Chase's contributions ensured the coat allotment hit the 10,000 mark, as public housing residents and HCV participants pre-registered for the coats.

"This great event reiterates our dedication to helping low-income Chicagoans – specifically the young people," CHA CEO Lewis A. Jordan said. "We are thankful for the great contributions of our lead supporters, Operation Warm and JP Morgan Chase, for providing warmth to CHA children through what is expected to be a long, cold winter."

A service fair with more than 40 vendors offering free resources and services accompanied the distribution. Those who participated in the service fair included:

- The Chicago Children's Museum, which offered free family passes,
- The Office of the Illinois Secretary of State, which had its mobile State ID system available,
- The U.S. Census Bureau, which offered Census Taker employment applications and publicized the upcoming census, and
- CEDA, which provided information on how to obtain financial assistance with utility bills.

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