

News Release
Igor Pimenov, Hi 4-H reporter
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The 'Crisis' Crew

On Wednesday, June 18, the Mariposa County Hi 4-H group: Elizabeth Asbury, Rachelle Broomfield, Igor Pimenov, Vincent Santi along with their leader, Donna Wice, donated their "Goody" bags to the 'Mountain Crisis Services' in Downtown Mariposa. The group put together over 75 women and children bags of toiletries and other items such as: soap, toothbrushes, razors, toothpaste, shampoo, diapers, and children's toys. Some of the items were donated to the group by major corporation brands such as Aqua-fresh, and Zest, after sending out letters asking for donations. Local dentists, motels, and stores donated other items.

All of the staff that works at the center was very flabbergasted and very thankful for the bags. Their new Program Director, Chevon Kothari, now working there for three weeks, was very grateful. Denise Conway, one of the staff, "toured" the Hi 4-H group through the building to show them the children's room and play area, which was quite fascinating. The group also hooked up and fixed a very, very old computer so the children can play games on it.

The Mountain Crisis Services assist victims of domestic violence and assaults. Items are needed for the shelters; so if you have small appliances in good working order, pantry items, or clothing that you would like to donate, contact the business office at 742- 5865.

Over all everyone went in happy and came out even happier, and it was a great experience! The Hi 4-H group will keep on doing this project and if anyone has any donations to give, you could reach Donna Wice at the UCCE Office at (209) 966-4829.

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From left to right- Hi 4-H members-Rachelle Broomfield, Elizabeth Asbury, Vincent Sant, Igor Pimenov along with Mtn. Crisis Servies staff, Denise Conway and Chevon Kothari

