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New Family Support Center and Thrift Store deliver hope and help to people in need

Atlanta (February 23, 2016)- The Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Georgia will open its newest Family Support Center and Thrift store in Commerce, GA in early Summer 2016. This site, the first in the Commerce area, will be the nonprofit organization's fifth Family Support Center and thirteenth Thrift Store statewide.

SVdP Georgia, which focuses on poverty outreach and intervention, use the Family Support Center model to provide resources to families and individuals in need. The newest location will provide people in need with a variety of programs and services including direct aid for rent, mortgage, utility and medical bills, federal and state benefits screenings, and a food pantry, which operates on a "client choice" model – offering clients the opportunity to shop for food as they would in a grocery store. In addition, there will be a computer lab open for public use. All proceeds from the Thrift Store will go directly toward supporting the organization's programs and services.

An estimated 27% of the Commerce population lives at or below the Federal Poverty Line. The Thrift Store will be opening this June followed by the Family Support Center later in the summer of 2016. The 14,000 square ft. building homing both the Family Support Center and Thrift Store will be located at 200 Homer Rd Commerce, GA 30529.

About St Vincent de Paul: Respecting the dignity of each person, St. Vincent de Paul Georgia brings hope and help to those in need so they may achieve stability and move toward self-sufficiency.