



### **Move over mighty oak . . . the mitten tree is here!**

Staff members at Lutheran Home of Southbury (LHS) recently decorated a ‘mitten tree,’ to help those less fortunate be a bit warmer this winter explains Patty Gullberg, manager of marketing at LHS. “It’s designed to collect warm clothing and accessories for the needy of our community. The tree in our lobby and is filling up with cozy scarves, gloves, mittens, hats and socks which will be going to the Southbury Needy Fund, a program of Southbury Community Services.”

“I thought it would be a nice thing to do at this time of year,” says one staff member. “To help out those in our community who may be cold or struggling this holiday season, and everyone has a chance to participate--staff, families and residents.”

Angelina Cipriano, an LHS resident who has donated several of the hats now hanging on the tree adds, “I just enjoy crocheting in my free time and like to donate the hats to local hospitals. I always keep plenty of hats in my room and love giving them away. There are prayers in all the hats I make,” she notes. “I always pray while making them.”

*Caption: Angelina Cipriano poses with the LHS Mitten Tree.*