

## **Mike Adams Selects Oasis – A Haven for Women & Children, as the Official Beneficiary for his 2014 Coat Drive**

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**PATERSON, NJ** – December 5, 2014 – Indianapolis Colts' strong safety, Mike Adams, chose Oasis – A Haven for Women & Children Center of his hometown of Paterson, NJ, as the official beneficiary of his month long coat drive. Adams personally bought brand new coats and collected coats throughout the country to donate to the organization. Collectively, Adams is donating almost 600 winter coats on Friday, December 5th to the organization that serves 600 women and children daily.

Adams continuously works hands on in the community he plays in and where he originates. He is well known for his big heart. "I'm happy to help Oasis. I learned they were in need of winter items this month for their annual Christmas event and I'm so happy to be able to help", Adams said. Besides personal contributors, Adams had significant support from the Indianapolis Colts, Wells Fargo Bank, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, the Drew Gooden Foundation, Passaic Tech County High School, and the City of Paterson NJ.

"We are so very grateful for Mike's contribution to the women and children of Oasis," said Sister Gloria Perez, Executive Director of Oasis. "Not only will we be able to offer coats to our close to 300 adult education students for them and their children, we will be able to offer coats to members of the greater Paterson community when we serve close to 1000 special Christmas meals later this month. Mike never forgets about us here in Paterson, and our women and children are so grateful for that generosity at the start of this cold winter."

Representatives on behalf of Mike Adams, will personally deliver the jackets to Oasis at 1:00pm on Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. For all inquiries on Mike Adams, please contact Melissa LaCorte (925) 305-1420 or by email at [Melissa@LaCorteENT.com](mailto:Melissa@LaCorteENT.com). For more information on Oasis – A Haven for Women & Children, please contact [Kathleenlong@oasisnj.org](mailto:Kathleenlong@oasisnj.org).

### **About Mike Adams**

Mike "Pops" Adams, born March 24, 1981 in Paterson, New Jersey, is currently a Safety with the Indianapolis Colts in the National Football League. He was signed by the San Francisco 49ers (2004-2006) as an undrafted free agent in 2004 and also spent time with the Cleveland Browns (2007-2011), prior to the Denver Broncos (2012-2014). Adams became an AFC champion with the Broncos his 2013-2014 season and competed in Superbowl XLVIII. He played college football at the University of Delaware. Mike is an active philanthropist and is committed to giving back to his community.

### **About Oasis - A Haven for Women and Children**

Oasis – A Haven for Women and Children is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in Paterson, New Jersey whose mission is to change the lives of women and children by breaking the cycle of poverty through compassionate programs designed to feed, clothe, educate, and empower women and children in need. These programs include GED, ESL and Computer classes for adults; a Workplace Readiness Program; the Michael Wagner After-School Program; the Carl's Kids Summer Camp; the Paterson Youth Photography Program; the Teen Empowerment and Enrichment Network; and basic needs services that include weekday breakfast and lunch in our soup kitchen, a food pantry, diapers and other baby needs, and emergency clothing distribution. Learn more at [www.oasisnj.org](http://www.oasisnj.org).

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