Good Citizenship

What Others Are Doing, How You Can Help

(NAPSA)—Here's a story that will warm your heart: During this season of giving—and beyond—many travelers are helping sick children feel just a little better.

Real Giving

TownePlace Suites by Marriott started a wonderful tradition a few years back, making hand-tied blankets and delivering them to various hospitals across the U.S. and Canada through Children's Miracle Network.

Children's Miracle Network, now helping 170 nonprofit hospitals treating children, was founded with two simple goals:

- 1. Help as many children as possible by raising funds for children's hospitals.
- 2. Keep funds in the community in which they were raised to help local children.

TownePlace Suites guests, owners, associates and volunteers spend hours knotting together thousands of warm, fleece blankets every year.

A donation in any amount can help purchase the supplies needed to create the blankets for these young patients—kids who need a little extra comfort, security, love and care.

In addition to the annual year-end blanket-making program, TownePlace Suites believes in serving the communities in which its hotels are located throughout the year. Earlier this year, hundreds of TownePlace Suites took part in a nationwide effort to end childhood hunger by providing breakfast to children in need through an organization called Action for Healthy Kids. During one week, nearly 10,000 guests ate Kellogg's cereal and signed posters that allowed for breakfast to be donated to children.



Giving on the go: Travelers can participate in a program to provide the comforting warmth of new blankets to sick children.

Real Living

Just as TownePlace Suites helps children in need, the brand also helps travelers who are on the road for long periods of time. More than a place to stay, the all-suite, extended-stay TownePlace Suites is a place to live, offering studio, one-bedroom and two-bedroom suites with fully equipped kitchens, as well as thoughtful spaces for both working and relaxing.

Helping guests settle in by acclimating them to the neighborhood, TownePlace Suites has its own TowneMap® in every property, displaying local favorite restaurants, services and attractions. In addition, the brand offers rates based on length of stay, 25 percent more space than traditional hotel rooms, a 24/7 food and beverage pantry, complimentary breakfast and 24-hour coffee, on-site business services, laundry facilities, complimentary Wi-Fi and many other extended-stay amenities.

Now in its 15th year, Towne-Place Suites by Marriott was ranked No.1 for mid-price extended stays by Business Travel News' Hotel Chain Survey in 2011 and 2012. The brand is part of the Marriott Rewards® award-winning guest loyalty program. For further information on TownePlace Suites, visit www.towneplace.com.