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Boys & Girls Club Christmas Donation

CLEVELAND, TN – Waste Connections, the city of Cleveland’s contracted residential solid waste service provider, donated thirty-five bicycles to the Boys & Girls Club of the Ocoee Region. Board members and leadership of the Boys & Girls Club as well as Vice Mayor Avery Johnson and City Manager Joe Fivas participated in the celebration.

“Growing up in Cleveland, I was a member of the Boys & Girls Club. I’m proud the Club continues to play an instrumental role in the lives of our youth in Cleveland” said Vice Mayor Avery Johnson. “I’m thrilled Waste Connections took this initiative to become an even better community partner.”

“We are extremely grateful for the donation of bikes that will benefit our youth. It was very moving to see and hear the excitement from the kids the moment they saw that trailer full of bikes pull up to the Club. Christmas is my favorite time of year because we get to witness thoughtful and generous people. Waste Connections blessed a lot of kids this Christmas season and I am grateful for that,” said Derrick Kinsey, Chief Executive Officer of the Boys & Girls Club of the Ocoee Region.

“This was Waste Connection’s first time doing something of this magnitude in Cleveland, said Robert Neel, Site Director for Waste Connections in Cleveland. “Seeing the delight and appreciation from the children truly made this occasion special and a tremendous way for us to make a positive impact in this community.”

“I appreciate the kindness and generosity from Waste Connections. We recently completed a bike track at the Tucker Unit and the donated bikes, helmets, knee pads and elbow pads will fill that void.” We are extremely blessed to receive these incredible items from Waste Connections,” said George Gray, Boys & Girls Club of the Ocoee Region President.

The Boys & Girls Club of the Ocoee Region currently serves approximately 4,000 children annually in Cleveland, Bradley County and Polk County.

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Pictured back row left to right: Wyatt Bevis, Chief Operating Officer BGCOR; Derrick Kinsey, Chief Executive Officer BGCOR; George Gray, BGCOR Board President; Vice Mayor Avery Johnson; City Manager Joe Fivas; Robert Neel, Cleveland Site Director Waste Connections; Chad Powell, Operations Manager Waste Connections, and Paul Ezell, 33 year veteran Driver.

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