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## **LUCAS METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY AS RECIPIENT OF 7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL "PLAY IT FORWARD" TOY DRIVE**

(February 15, 2017) – Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority (LMHA) was selected as the charitable outreach recipient of the 7<sup>th</sup> annual, "Play It Forward Used Toy Drive".

Cousino Restoration along with The Town Center at Levis Commons, in Perrysburg, OH, selected LMHA as the recipient for this year's toy drive. "For the last several years, we have teamed up with host [Levis Commons](#) in the annual "Play it Forward" Used Toy Drive where toys are collected beginning the second weekend in January. We bring the toys back to our facility where they are cleaned, sanitized and get new batteries. Every year we pick a different charity to support.", said Shelly Konz of Cousino Restoration.

This year, the outpouring of community support resulted in double amount of gently-used donated toys that they received in 2016.

President and Chief Executive Officer, Martin LaMar says, "Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority is truly appreciative to be the recipient of Cousino Restoration's generosity in having been selected as its 2017 "Play It Forward" Toy Drive beneficiary. The effort to enhance and impact lives will always be a collaborative effort. Partners like Cousino Restoration ensure LMHA has additional resources to offer clients of all ages.

Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority is a HUD-affiliated public housing agency that administers Housing Choice Vouchers throughout Lucas County, Ohio. Housing Choice Vouchers are given to eligible low-income residents, the elderly

and the disabled, to afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private rental market.

Housing assistance is also provided by LMHA, to families and individuals, with securing housing from a portfolio of more than 2,700 Affordable Housing properties consisting of multi-family housing complexes, single family homes and townhomes.

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**The Mission of The Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority:**

*Housing is vital to our past, present and future! We create quality, housing opportunities and build communities through collaborative partnerships. While stimulating economic growth, we empower individuals and develop the neighborhoods of tomorrow for the people of today.*

**The Vision of Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority:**

*We envision a society that delivers on the promise of a quality life our veterans fought for, our seniors saved for, our young parents work for, and our children will remember us for.*