

Rent-A-Center Donates to Youth Automotive Training Center

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DEERFIELD BEACH, Fla.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May. 17, 2013-- Rent-A-Center, Inc. (NASDAQ/NGS: RCII), today donated Target gift cards valued at \$5000 to the Youth Automotive Training Center. The donation is tied to a philanthropic initiative dubbed "Random Acts of Caring," launched by Rent-A-Center in 2008.

Established by Jim Moran in 1984, the mission of the Youth Automotive Training Center is to train and educated at-risk youth in basic automotive repair skills, academic remediation, job readiness and life-management skills. The goal of this program is to prepare young adults who are at a disadvantage in their lives to become self-sufficient, productive, law-abiding citizens.

"Thanks to the generosity of Rent-A-Center, YATC can use the gift cards for a variety of essential needs for our students and their families. The cards will help our kids with such items as clothing, food, baby needs and so much more," said Terry Routley, executive director at YATC.

"We selected the Youth Automotive Training Center in recognition of the organization's important work in meeting the needs and improving the lives of at-risk youth," said Xavier Dominicis, vice president of public affairs at Rent-A-Center. "Today's Random Act of Caring marks the 90th act undertaken since Rent-A-Center launched this initiative to support the communities it serves."

Rent-A-Center, Inc., headquartered in Plano, Texas, currently operates approximately 3,000 company-owned stores nationwide and in Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico. The stores generally offer high-quality, durable goods such as major consumer electronics, appliances, computers, furniture and accessories under flexible rental-purchase agreements that generally allow the customer to obtain ownership of the merchandise at the conclusion of an agreed upon rental period. Learn more at <u>www.rentacenter.com</u>.

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