

## Rent-A-Center Opens Store in Mt. Vernon

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Company Donates to Non-Profits at Grand Opening Ceremony

MT. VERNON, III.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Nov. 11, 2011-- Rent-A-Center Manager Shawn Schafer and his four-person sales team are pleased to offer residents of Mt. Vernon an additional option when it comes to acquiring ownership of high-quality furniture, appliances, electronics and computers. "We are happy to be a part of the community and look forward to servicing the needs of our customers," said Schafer. The new Rent-A-Center is located at 417 South 42<sup>nd</sup> Street. The approximately 4,500-square-foot showroom features merchandise from brands such as Ashley, Serta, HP, Sony and Whirlpool.

Members of the community will welcome Rent-A-Center to the neighborhood at a grand-opening celebration on Friday, November 11, at 4:00 p.m. At the ribbon-cutting ceremony, Rent-A-Center is contributing \$1,000 to the United Way of South Central Illinois and \$1,000 to Goodwill.

In conjunction with the grand opening ceremony, there will be a drawing for a 42" Plasma TV. To enter, simply visit the store. No purchase is necessary.

Rent-A-Center operates 113 locations in the state of Illinois. The store is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays.

Rent-A-Center (NASDAQ: RCII), headquartered in Plano, Texas, operates more than 3,000 stores in the United States, Puerto Rico, Canada and Mexico. The Company employs over 18,900 coworkers. Learn more at <a href="https://www.rentacenter.com">www.rentacenter.com</a>.

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