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WJCS brightens the holidays

Scarsdale resident Linda Plattus, assistant secretary of the Westchester Jewish Community Services board of directors, has been helping for more than a decade to brighten the holiday season for children in Westchester with an annual holiday gift drive and lunch. This year's lunch on Nov. 28, held at Plattus' home, raised a record-breaking \$6,500 in donations, gift cards and gifts. Scarsdale's Patisserie Salzberg and Standing Room Only as well as other area retailers, Cherry Lawn Farm Market and House of Flowers, contributed to the event, which will benefit children in need throughout the county. WJCS is one of the largest nonprofit, nonsectarian human services agencies in Westchester, serving 20,000 people annually at 80 clinic, school, community and home-based locations throughout the county. The agency's integrated network of services includes mental health treatment and counseling, child and youth development programs, residential and nonresidential programs for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, home health and geriatric services. Pictured are, front row: Suzanne Seiden, Fran Fishman, Sarah Kayle, Plattus, Ruth Suzman; back row: Suzanne Yearley and Andrea Brandt.