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### Stratus Technologies Building Bikes for Needy Children In Greater Clinton

**Clinton, MA:** October 20<sup>th</sup> will be a very special day for 50 fortunate children from the Greater Clinton area as they receive their very own bikes courtesy of the employees and management of Stratus Technologies headquartered in Maynard.

The children were chosen from clients of WHEAT Community Connections, a direct service program of the United Way of Tri-County. North County Regional Director Jodi Breidel said that “many of these children have been on our request list needing bikes for over 10 months and the generosity of Stratus and its employees will make a dream come true for these children ages 5-12.”

Employees of Stratus will assemble and add accessories to each bike and will actually be able to present them to the recipient children on October 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. at WHEAT’s offices on High Street in Clinton. Age appropriate helmets will also accompany each bike.

“Stratus has been a long time supporter of the United Way from their founding when they were located in Marlborough” says Paul Mina, President & CEO of the United Way. “Since then many changes have occurred but the concern for the community and the generosity of the employees of Stratus has remained constant under the leadership of Stratus President Dave Laurello” he said.

“It’s our pleasure to be able to have this opportunity to make sure that these 50 children can experience the joy that goes along with having your own bike” said Dave Laurello, President & CEO of Stratus Technologies. “Every kid needs a bike and we are excited about seeing the kids faces when they receive their own bike and grateful to our partners at WHEAT Community Connections and the United Way for helping us with this project”.

We invite your news outlet to join us on Friday October 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. at WHEAT Community Connections 272 High Street Clinton to witness the bike presentations.

The United Way of Tri-County is a community building organization that brings people together to care for one another. We provide programs and services, connect volunteers, strengthen agencies, teach social responsibility, and meet the critical needs of the community with the help of people like you. For more information visit the United Way Website at [www.uwotc.org](http://www.uwotc.org)

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