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## News Release

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### **Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly Receives \$1,000 Plum Creek Foundation Grant**

**L'ANSE, Mich.** – The Plum Creek Foundation recently awarded a \$1,000 grant to Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly to help purchase new equipment for its Supplemental Firewood Program, which supplies firewood to rural elderly community members.

The Supplemental Firewood Program provides area elderly with much-needed wood to help heat their homes. The program focuses on cutting, splitting, delivering and stacking wood for the area's elderly who are in need of a helping hand. Nearby university and volunteer groups supply the labor needed to cut, split and deliver the firewood. The Plum Creek Foundation grant will help purchase new equipment, including chainsaws, helmets and oil to aid the volunteers involved in the firewood program.

“Our firewood program has grown over the years, and additional equipment is now needed to efficiently produce firewood supplies,” said Michael J. Aten, executive director of Little Brothers-Friends of Elderly. “We are thankful to the Plum Creek Foundation for this grant and we look forward to continuing our program and helping area elderly.”

Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly is a national, nonprofit, volunteer-based organization committed to relieving isolation and loneliness among the elderly. The organization offers people of good will the opportunity to join the elderly in friendship and celebration of life.

The mission of the Plum Creek Foundation is to provide philanthropic contributions to support and improve the general welfare of life in the communities that Plum Creek serves. The Foundation board meets quarterly to review applications submitted from organizations in the company's operating communities. Visit the Community Involvement page on Plum Creek's Web site at [www.plumcreek.com](http://www.plumcreek.com) to download an application.

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Plum Creek is the largest and most geographically diverse private landowner in the nation, with approximately 8 million acres of timberlands in major timber producing regions of the United States and 10 wood products manufacturing facilities in the Northwest. In Michigan, Plum Creek practices sustainable forestry on approximately 650,000 acres of forestland in 13 counties throughout the state's Upper Peninsula. For more information, visit [www.plumcreek.com](http://www.plumcreek.com).

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