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> New Nonprofit in Waldo County Assistance for Homeless and Home-Insecure Young Adults

**Belfast, Maine**: A new nonprofit is in Waldo County to assist homeless and home-insecure young adults ages 16 to 21. In June 2021, the IRS granted But Still I Am One 501(c)(3) status. This means that any donations received are tax-deductible. With this new nonprofit status, the hope is to be able to raise funds to pay for either a Host Home program or to lease or buy a home in order to provide what homeless and home-insecure young adults in Waldo County have wanted and needed: a safe place they can call their home.

"For many years, I have been watching the news reports showing that homelessness and home insecurity among young adults are skyrocketing in our state," said Neva Allen, Founder, and President of But Still I Am One. "According to a 2019 *Portland Press Herald* article, Maine homelessness among young adults has increased four times faster than the rate in the country as a whole. When the pandemic came, I told myself that I could no longer sit on the sidelines; I needed to try and help."

As But Still I Am One is raising funds to enable this vision of providing a home, this nonprofit is hoping to assist homeless and home-insecure young adults with:

- Food
- Clothing
- Gas Cards
- Electronics, especially phones and phone cards. This is both for their security, and because it helps them with getting other services. It also helps them in obtaining jobs.

For more information about But Still I Am One, visit <a href="mailto:butstilliamone.org@gmail.com">butstilliamone.org@gmail.com</a>
To make a donation, you can go to <a href="mailto:butstilliamone.org">butstilliamone.org</a> and click on the donate button. Checks can be mailed to PO Box 557, Belfast, Maine 04915.

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