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## *Press Release*

### **Finding Beauty After Devastation**

**Belair-Edison Hair Salon providing free hair care service to New Orleans evacuees**

Belair-Edison Main Street salon, Hair Visions, has come to the aide of three evacuees from New Orleans by providing to them free hair care service. This service will remain in place until these women find employment and permanent housing, no matter how long it takes. Anita Thomas, salon owner, is committed to this mission. Like the rest of us, Anita was horrified to see the images of the families who had lost everything after Hurricane Katrina. It wasn't enough to donate money and goods. She really wanted to touch individuals in a personal way. Through one of her clients, she was able to meet two families who had relocated to Baltimore. On Wednesday (September 14<sup>th</sup>), three women from these families were lucky enough to get their hair done, for free, at Hair Visions.

Just this August, Hair Visions participated in the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Bel"Hair"-Edison Back-to-School Festival where the theme was Health, Wellness, and Beauty. Anita has taken very serious the idea of providing hair service as a means to help these women feel better, secure employment, and begin the healing process after tragedy.

#### ***Finding Beauty After Devastation* facts at a glance:**

**Who: Hair Visions Beauty Salon**

**What: Providing free ongoing hair care service to New Orleans evacuees**

**Where: Hair Visions, 3105 Erdman Avenue**

**When: Ongoing until the women are situated**

**Why: To help these women feel better, secure employment, and begin the healing process**

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