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### **Alpine Securities USVI Donates \$25,000 to Children with Disabilities**

ST. CROIX – Alpine Securities USVI donated \$25,000 to Lutheran Social Services of the Virgin Islands' Sister Emma Cottage — a program that provides residential care for children and young adults with disabilities. Alpine dedicated the funds towards a project of choice to support the residents' needs at the home.

Alpine Securities is a St. Thomas-based EDC company specializing in investment management advisory and equity trading services. The donation is part of the company's corporate commitment to create healthy communities and ensure that everyone in the Virgin Islands can thrive regardless of their abilities. "We wanted to kick-start the year with good cheer, especially to the residents at Sister Emma Cottage," said Jason Charles, Chief External Affairs Officer.

On hand to accept the donation was Junia John-Straker, CEO of LSSVI. She expressed her gratitude to the Alpine team for recognizing LSSVI's work in the community and the needs that come with caring for vulnerable individuals. Sister Emma Cottage is a special unit of Queen Louise Home that provides 24-hour residential foster care for children and young adults with severe developmental and physical disabilities. In her remarks, Ms. Straker underscored the importance of the donation, which she said "was timely and came in just as we contemplating having a fundraiser to purchase a handicap accessible van to transport residents. We are truly grateful for this fantastic donation, which will go a long way to helping us achieve some of our goals for 2021."

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*Photo caption: Jason Charles (middle), Alpine Securities Chief External Affairs Officer, presents check to Keziah Sullivan (left), LSSVI Director of Fund Development, and Junia John-Straker (right), LSSVI CEO.*