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# The Christmas Kindness Project



NOV. 17 - DEC. 15

Support 20
Heart to Heart Families

1. Select a tag hanging from the Christmas trees in the areas outside worship spaces beginning November 17.
2. All the information you need to know about the recipient and their gift is on the tag. Grab as many as you want!
3. Purchase the gift on the tag.
4. Attach the tag to the unwrapped gift and place in the donation bins at each location by December 15.
5. Families will arrange with H2H volunteers for pickup or dropoff of their gifts.
6. Families will be given wrapping supplies with their gifts to allow them the joy of wrapping and the opportunity to see the gifts before they're given.

Questions? Email mission@FCchurch.com
or visit h2h.FCchurch.com/Christmas Kindness

**Hi friends,**

Thank you for supporting 20 Heart to Heart families through The Christmas Kindness Project this year. While the process is straightforward (take an ornament, buy the gift, bring it back to church), you may have some questions. I have included some general notes about the gifting process to prevent confusion and make it run smoothly. Please review this information as you select a gift ornament from the tree.

There are 90 children total across the 20 families that were chosen. Each child was allowed 4 wish list items, which totals 360 gifts overall! That means the volunteers receiving and sorting the donated gifts must have precise information to stay organized. So, be sure to keep your ornament tag and return it taped to the donated gift. By the way, it's not gibberish on that ornament tag, it's code we'll use to track and sort gifts while allowing confidentiality for our clients! Your ornament has two sides:

| *Front: General information about the child, along with their identification numbers.* | *Back: Code used sort gifts between families and children, plus a wishlist item. In the example below, the RC car is 1 of the 4 gifts on that child's wishlist.* |
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| Family: F99 Child ID: 1<br>Age: 8 Gender: Male Grade: 2nd<br>Favorite color orange, likes zebras | F99-1-3<br>Blue Remote Control Stunt Car with LED Lights & 360 Flips |

If you cannot find the exact gift listed, try something similar. Using the example above- maybe you can find a green RC car or one that's blue but doesn't light up- both of those are great alternatives. You may also look at the additional information on the tag under the child's demographic info (age, gender, grade) for notes about their interests or favorite things. Using that information, you can decide on a gift that suits them. (I bet this child would love an orange zebra stuffy). Our devoted volunteers included as much description as possible using the information from the clients they interviewed. You can be confident in choosing a gift for the kids as you would any other child in your life!

For ease of communication, many of our client families provided volunteers with access to their online wish lists, namely those on Amazon. If you're not sure where to look for the item, or exactly what it is, visit Amazon.com and search the gift listed. Then you can order it right there online or visit a store to purchase it in person. We know you'll use your best judgement to find something great!

Check the website for information on the project: h2h.FCchurch.com/ChristmasKindness, which I will continue to update for the duration. I'm the point person if you have any questions and it's best to contact me by email at acaskie@fcchurch.com. This is our first year with the program, so there are bound to be some glitches, and we will work it out together! I look forward to witnessing the generosity of First Community throughout the season.

Thank you again for your support and Merry Christmas!

Blessings,

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