

Kudos and Thanks

KUDOS and CONGRATS to Heidi Meany, Shayna Combs and Delaney Byrd-Nichols for an amazing Christmas Bureau! It was so calm, smooth and joyous out at the fairgrounds and 27,000+ people in our community had a very merry Christmas thanks to their hard work and Christmas Elf magic!!! Way to go you amazing women! The clients and volunteers all had the support they needed and left with joy and smiles every day. It takes special kinds of elves to make that happen!!!

We also want to thank the Data Services and Finance teams for their support of the Christmas Bureau throughout the year. You help make it happen in so many ways. The new computers are so fast, and the toy buyers kept Denise in Finance busy all year! And a special shout out to Leora and Blanca for helping with the pajama wrangling!

By the numbers:

2,836 vouchers were mailed to single adults prior to the CB

8,576 households benefited from the toys, books, wooden toy trucks, vouchers and pajamas at the bureau

8,608 teddy bears from the Chief's and Women's EWU Teddy Bear Toss games

12,601 children have gifts under the tree to wake up to on Christmas morning

4,373 pairs of pajamas were distributed this year thanks to the community

14,482 adults got support from a voucher and/or received gloves, hand knit scarves, socks, hygiene packs or Christmas décor

\$257,310 in vouchers to help put food on the Christmas table

And 27,000+ people in need in our community were helped by the 2024 Christmas Bureau!!!

PRICELESS!!!!

