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Forgotten Teens



What is Forgotten Teens?

The Forgotten Teens program helps to collect and distribute gifts to teenagers from ages 13 to 18 who may not receive gifts during the holiday season. Too often the teenagers of lower income or underprivileged homes are overlooked and experience a holiday season with no gifts. This program provides an opportunity for students to raise resources to provide gifts for the Forgotten Teens in their community.

How does it work?

Individuals, Families, Businesses, Service Clubs and Community Groups work in collaboration with the Fox Valley United Way to raise money or purchase small gifts for teenagers in the community. Some suggested gift items might be:

- Gift Cards
- Bath and Body Items
- Personal Care Items
- Costume Jewelry
- Watch or Wallet
- Movie Tickets

All monies raised go directly towards the purchase of gifts or gift cards for local teens.

Who are the recipients of the gifts?

Local community teens between the ages of 13 and 18 whose families applied for the program will receive the gifts. Their applications are reviewed by Fox Valley United Way staff, social workers and school counselors. An applicant interview is given to determine the needs of the teen.

Why should your group participate?

1. There are many teens in your community who will not receive gifts this holiday season. This group project develops a great sense of pride and accomplishment for giving back to those who are less fortunate.
2. Most holiday assistance programs only provide assistance to families with children up to the age of 13. Forgotten Teens fills in the "gaps" to these assistance programs.
3. Your contribution will make a difference and brighten a teen's holiday season.

**Thank you for participating in
Forgotten Teens Holiday Assistance Program!**

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