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Holiday Assistance Program

With the holiday season just around the corner, Fox Valley United Way is once again partnering with local businesses, community members, civic and student groups, along with families and individuals who are interested in helping those that are experiencing difficulties during these tough economic times.

While countless parents are telling their children that there will not be many gifts under the tree this year, a large number of children in our community will not be receiving any presents. The Fox Valley United Way wants to give to those families in need, who do not have the financial means to provide gifts for their children this year.

You can help by donating to the Fox Valley United Way Holiday Assistance fund. Your financial gift will be used to purchase clothes, toys, hats, mittens and scarves for the children. If donations allow, we will also buy each family a gift card to a local grocery store, so they can enjoy a family holiday meal!

Below are some ways you can make a difference this holiday season:

- Sponsor an individual child or family: Fox Valley United
 Way will send you detailed information about a family in
 need this holiday season so you can purchase gifts for each child in that family. Due to the
 overwhelming needs of the community, we recommend spending a minimum of \$50.00 to sponsor
 each child.
- Organize a Scarf, Hat, Mitten drive or Toy drive in your community: These beneficial basic needs items are always in shortage. The Scarf, Hat, Mitten Drive will provide children with items for the upcoming winter while the Toy Drive will provide infants through 12 year olds with gifts for the holiday season. All of the donated items can be dropped off at the Fox Valley United Way office.
- **Purchase a gift card**: By purchasing a gift card from a local grocery store, you can provide a holiday meal for a family in need.
- Provide a monetary donation: All donations can be dropped off or mailed to the Fox Valley United
 Way office located at, 44 East Galena Blvd., Aurora, IL 60505. If processing a donation by credit card
 is preferred, please visit www.uwfoxvalley.org.

Please note that all gifts should be unwrapped and donations of any size are appreciated.

Deadline to drop off donations, at the Fox Valley United Way office, is **Monday, December 14th.**For more detailed information visit our website or contact Deborah at Deborah.Collins@uwfoxvalley.org

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