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Salvation Army's 2018 Christmas Assistance Sign-ups November 5th through November 9th!

Monday, October 29, 2018 The Salvation Army will once again be offering assistance to families in need here in the metro this Christmas. Starting Monday, November 5th through Friday, November 9th people can go in person to the Boy Scouts Mid-Iowa Council, 6123 Scout Trail in Des Moines and apply for assistance with Christmas presents for their children and food cards for their Christmas meal. Applications must be done in person and during this time period to qualify for assistance.

Last year 1412 families signed up for assistance and were given food cards. The Salvation Army also provided more than 2500 children with Christmas presents. "Christmas is about the birth of Jesus, but it is also the season of giving, and it brings so much joy to my heart to see a parent that may be struggling financially, be able to pick out a Christmas present for their child. No child should have to go without at least one present to open at Christmas. That is why this program means so much to me," said Major Elizabeth Beardsley, Iowa Capital Area Program Director.

Applicants need to bring a valid photo ID for all adults in household, proof of residence (current piece of mail) and ID for children in the household (medical card or birth certificate).

This year, we know the need will be just as great, and we will be working hard to make sure we can meet that need, but we can't do it alone. Many organizations and individuals already help through our Angel Tree program collecting toys, or volunteering at our Toy Shop in December, giving out the toys. Organizations or businesses wishing to be an Angel Tree toy collection site should contact Randee Wirth at 515-282-3599 or by email at randee_wirth@usc.salvationarmy.org. New, unwrapped toys can be dropped at the city office at 520 35th St., Des Moines, Temple Corps at 1326 6th Ave., Des Moines or Citadel Corps at 1216 E 25th Ct., Des Moines.

What: Salvation Army's 2018 Christmas Assistance Sign-ups

When: Monday, November 5 – 9, 2018

Who: Anyone in need in the metro area

Where: Boy Scouts Mid-Iowa Council, 6123 Scout Trail in Des Moines

Contact: Major Elizabeth Beardsley, 515-282-3599, elizabeth_beardsley@usc.salvationarmy.org

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