



Holiday Giving & Volunteer Opportunities

HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Name	Organization	Details	Contact
Holiday Clearing House	Center of Hope, Community Outreach	Pairs volunteer donors with families in need during the holiday season. Donors supply holiday gifts such as clothing, toiletries, school supplies and toys for the children and families. HCH coordinates the distribution of gifts either in person or by drop off at our distribution location.	Call 331-3935 or 334-9789 for more information. Visit www.centerofhopesf.org or www.thecommunityoutreach.org to fill out a donor intake form.
Sioux Falls Cares	Sioux Falls Cares	Provides food, new clothing, and new toys for needy families in the community. Cash donations only accepted. Donations are accepted year round.	To donate – call Joan Millage, 332-9146. To apply – talk to your child's school counselor.
Operation Christmas Child	Abiding Savior Free Lutheran Church, 4100 S. Bahnson Ave. in Sioux Falls	Benefits underprivileged children in foreign countries. Fill a shoebox with toys, candy, school supplies and necessities, plus \$7 for shipping costs. Call church for suggested gift items.	605.371.3800
Harvest of Hope	Salvation Army & Avera McKennan	Food boxes are being collected for families who are low-income and would like to enjoy a Thanksgiving meal in their home. For a complete list of holiday staples and dinner items required, email jennifergrossman@avera.org . People who need the food boxes should contact the Salvation Army beginning Oct. 28.	To donate, Jen Grossman, jennifergrossman@avera.org To receive help, call the Salvation Army at (605) 338-6649
Coats for Kids	KDLT	Kick off is Oct. 1. Donate gently used coats for children. Drop off at any local Lewis store. Coats are distributed through Salvation Army.	605.361.5555
Toys for Tots	Jaycees	Families in need of Christmas assistance can contact Jaycees office for help. The dates for families to pick up toys are Dec. 11-15 and volunteer dates are Dec. 7-15.	338-9741, http://sioux-falls-sd.toysfortots.org or siouxfallstoysfortots@yahoo.com
Refugee Christmas	LSS Refugee and Immigration Center	Event running from November 1 through December 1. Sponsoring Christmas gifts for refugees.	Call Pat Reichert 526-6225 for more information mmreichert@unitelsd.com
Toy Town	Salvation Army	The Salvation Army annual "Toy Town" distribution. Applicants will be interviewed, call 338-6649 for details or pick up list of dates and times for interviews at The Salvation Army, 800 N. Cliff Ave, Sioux Falls.	Major Betty Bender, (605) 338-6649
Howliday Tree	Sioux Falls Area	Take an ornament off our Holiday	(605) 338-4441

For Shelter Pets	Humane Society	tree for shelter pets. Each ornament has a wish list item on the back. Donate the item by placing it under the tree. Keep the ornament as a thank you for supporting shelter pets. This will take place Dec. 1 to 31.	
Spirit Tree	Volunteers of America, Dakotas	Select a gift tag from the Spirit Trees displayed at Walmart at 3209 S. Louise Avenue and make the holiday season brighter for children, youth, families and many adults in Volunteers of America, Dakotas' residential programs. Simply pick a gift tag from one of the trees, purchase the items while shopping at Walmart and return them under one of the trees. Hosting a tree at your business or organization is another incredible way to make a difference in the lives of so many! Please contact Volunteers of America, Dakotas for additional details.	Addie Graham-Kramer (605) 444-6339 a.graham-kramer@voa-dakotas.org
Angel Tree	Salvation Army	Donate a new, unwrapped gift item to a child in need at the Salvation Army's Angel Tree in the Macy's Wing at the Empire Mall from Thanksgiving-December 24.	Major Belinda Riggs, (605) 338-6649
Tree of Hope	McCrossan Boy's Ranch	The McCrossan Boys Ranch Tree of Hope will be located at Scheels All Sports on 41st and Western in Sioux Falls and Dakota Sports/Dakota Lettering (3410 S. Kiwanis Avenue) HyVee on E. 10th Street in Sioux Falls, HyVee on MN Avenue in Sioux Falls and Sunshine Foods in Brandon. The trees will be on display from November 27-December 27th. Gifts for boys ages 9-20 are needed. Just pick a card off the tree and return to the store you picked it up at or bring to McCrossan Boys Ranch by December 27th. Cards with the boys' wish lists are also available by calling McCrossan Boys Ranch and make a great project for organizations, businesses, and church groups to sponsor gifts for the boys. Please call for information on hosting a tree or getting cards mailed to you.	Christy 339-1203 Christy.menning@mccrossan.org
Tree of Love	Sponsored by First National Bank and Active Generations	Trees up November 25 at First National Bank in Sioux Falls locations downtown, on 57 th , at the Western Mall and Active Generations. Select an ornament that describes a requested gift starting Nov. 25. Return the ornament and gift to the same	Jenny Centra jcentra@activegen.org 605.333.3306

		branch by Dec. 18 th . Gifts will go to Prince of Peace and Good Samaritan Village.	
The Angel Tree	Sioux Empire Federal Credit Union & South Dakota Achieve	The Angel Tree will be located at Sioux Empire Federal Credit Union's 4 locations. Please select an item from the tree and return it to that location by Dec. 11 th . All items purchased will go directly to a person with a disability supported by South Dakota Achieve.	Jackie Stratman jackie.stratman@achievesd.org Phone: 605.274.1355
Holiday Assistance	Glory House	The Glory House would welcome the following holiday-related donations: Gifts for clients to give to their children at Christmas; Turkeys or hams both for residential clients and clients that live in the community; Gift baskets for clients' families; Christmas party presents for clients that could be a gift from "Santa."	Linda Atkinson latkinson@glory-house.org
Shower Our Guests With Care	The Banquet	Hygiene packets will be available for purchase for The Banquet guests through all Sioux Falls Lewis Drug stores for \$9.99 each. The Banquet is also collecting family size, laundry detergent, dish soap and toilet paper for guests of The Banquet. A bin will be provided at all Lewis Drug stores to donate the hygiene items. Other household necessities may be brought directly to The Banquet at 900 E. 8 th St between the hours of 9 am- 5 pm Monday-Friday from now through December 31, 2013.	Madeline 605.335.7066 Madeline@thebanquetsf.org
Holiday Utility Assistance Giving	Community Outreach	Help support a family by contributing to our fund specifically designed to assist with utilities. Help keep families in warm housing during the holiday season. Gifts can be made in any amount. To make a contribution, make checks payable to The Community Outreach, or visit www.thecommunityoutreach.org	Dane Bloch 605.331.3915 dane@thecommunityoutreach.org
Family Holiday Party	Family Visitation Center	Family Visitation Center is having a Family Holiday Party for its families and is looking for toy donations so that each child in attendance gets a gift. Kids range in age from 3 to 15. The party will be Dec 7. Please have gifts to the agency at 311 E. 14 th St. by Nov. 22.	Sheri Gunderson 605.275.2071 Sheri.gunderson@fvcenter.org
Teen Town	Augustana College	Donate a \$25 gift for a teen boy or teen girl. The gifts are given out at Teen Town in cooperation with Toy Town, a program of the Salvation Army. Gifts should be delivered to the Volunteer Services office at	Julie Danielson 605.274.5011 Julie.danielson@augie.edu

		Augustana College before Dec. 15. Fill out the donor intake form at www.augie.edu/teentown	
Downtown Gives	Downtown Sioux Falls	Downtown Sioux Falls and several participating retailers will celebrate the spirit of the holiday season with the Downtown Gives charity program. Downtown Gives is a collaborative effort of Downtown business owners giving back to local charities. Funds will be raised through sales of a \$15 coupon book, which will contain high value coupons to several downtown businesses. The coupon books will go on sale at participating downtown retailer locations on Friday, November 1.	Brienne Maner 605.338.4009 ext. 12, brienne@dtsf.com
CCHS Gift Program	Children's Care Hospital & School	Provide gifts for the youth at Children's Care Hospital & School. Call or email for a gift wish list. Help one child or many children. Gifts need to be turned in by Nov. 27.	Sarah M. Donahue 605.444.9621 sarah.donahue@cchs.org
Good Samaritan Society-Adopt-A-Neighborhood	Christmas gifts for elder residents Good Samaritan Society-Sioux Falls Village Hearthstone Assisted Living	Help make Christmas special for our elder residents by adopting a neighborhood (wing) and providing gifts from their wish list. Businesses, corporate groups and individuals are asked to host a Christmas gift collection. Many residents have no family members to share the joys of the season. With your help of a special gift they will know they have not been forgotten. Gift idea lists will be provided. You may choose to come to help hand out gifts, drop them off, or arrange for us to pick them up by December 13 th .	Tiffany Eichstadt at 929-1242 or teichsta@good-sam.com
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	Falls Center	individuals are asked to host a Christmas gift collection. Many residents have no family members to share the joys of the season. With your help of a special gift they will know they have not been forgotten. Gift idea lists will be provided. You may choose to come to help hand out gifts, drop them off, or arrange for us to pick them up by December 13 th .	
Good Samaritan Society-Adopt-A-Neighborhood	Christmas gifts for elder residents Good Samaritan Society-Luther Manor	Help make Christmas special for our elder residents by adopting a neighborhood (wing) and providing gifts from their wish list. Businesses, corporate groups and individuals are asked to host a Christmas gift collection. Many residents have no family members to share the joys of the season. With your help of a special gift they will know they have not been forgotten. Gift idea lists will be provided. You may choose to come to help hand out gifts, drop them off, or arrange for us to pick them up by December 13 th .	Tiffany Eichstadt at 929-1242 or teichsta@good-sam.com
Guardian Tree	Sponsored by: Foster Parents Association	Benefits foster children & the families they are working with. Located at Department of Social Services. Gift ideas will be given to individuals and groups that want to participate. Return gifts unwrapped as early as possible, but no later than December 16.	Tracy Kunzelman 367-5444 ext 206 Anthea Chester 367-5444 ext 216
Be A Santa To A Senior	Home Instead Senior Care	Christmas trees, which will go up in all Lewis Drug stores in Sioux Falls in early November, will feature ornaments with the age & gender only of the seniors and their respective gift requests. If you would like to help, please stop into one of the six Lewis Drug stores in Sioux Falls, or the one in Brandon, after November 11, 2013 & purchase a gift for a senior in need.	For more information, contact Home Instead Senior Care at 605-274-2273 or visit our website: homeinstead.com/siouxfalls .

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Organization	Type of service	Details	Contact
Bright Start	Christmas Party, Dec. 3	Volunteers needed to help at the Bright Start Christmas party on December 3 from 5 to 7 p. Roughly six to eight volunteers will help with serving the meal provided, doing craft activities & help with Santa.	Please contact Cydney Hunt at 605-338-0116 or cydney.hunt@chssd.org for more information.
Holiday Clearing House	Center of Hope and Community Outreach	Volunteer a couple hours of your time to help ministry staff collect and enter donor and	Dane Block at 605.331.3935 or Randi Helder at 605.334.9789

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		recipient applications into our database. We will be hosting data entry nights for volunteers to come and have some fun while serving. Also consider volunteer to help collect and distribution gifts during our Distribution Days in early December.	
Angel Tree	Salvation Army	Again the Angel Tree is asking for your help. Would you please consider hosting the Angel Tree in the Macy's Wing of the Empire Mall. Volunteers at the tree would be asked to take in toy donations.	Marcie, (605) 338-6649
Children's Inn	Gift wrapping at the Empire Mall	Volunteers are needed at the Children's Inn Gift Wrap Booth from Nov. 29 through Dec. 24 during mall hours. Must volunteer for a minimum of a 2 hour shift.	Cydney Hunt 605.338.0116 Cydney.hunt@chssd.org
Salvation Army	Bell Ringing	During the holiday season, please plan to help the Salvation Army raise money for the people they serve. Volunteer as a bell ringer at shopping locations in Sioux Falls during the holiday season.	Marcie Gothard 605.338.6649
Active Generations	Deck The Halls	Groups can adopt a room at Active Generations to decorate for the holidays. Come in Dec. 2, 3 and 4 in the afternoon and evening.	Jenny Centra 333-3306 jcentra@activegen.org
Active Generations	Christmas Party & Dance	Help with a dance on December 17 from 6 to 10 pm. Provide refreshments help give out door prizes, dance with seniors and more.	Jenny Centra 605.333.3306 jcentra@activegen.org
Goodwill of The Great Plains Shoe and Mitten Party	Held for kids 5-11 on Dec. 14, 2013, invite only.	Volunteers (16 and older) are needed to help make Christmas a special time to the children in our community. We will be fitting over 1300 children with a new pair of shoes from 10am until 2pm. Volunteers are needed from 9:30am to 3pm."	Elthea 605.731.1932
Ten Thousand Villages	Sales Associate and Greeters for Ten Thousand Villages	Looking for sales associates to run the cash register and assist customers with their purchases. Also looking for greeters to greet people and direct people to an item or sales associate.	Call 335-6209 Linda Watts
Toys for Tots Distribution	Toys for Tots	Help distribute gifts to area children and their families. Volunteers are needed Dec.7 to Dec. 15. Families can pick up from Dec. 11 to 15.	338-9741 leave message and will hear back within 48 hours, or visit http://sioux-falls-sd.toysfortots.org siouxfallstoysfortots@yahoo.com
Jill Miller "Christmas Is Here" benefit concert	Family Visitation Center	Volunteers are needed on Dec. 14 for the 7 pm concert at The Orpheum as ticket takers, ushers, coat checkers, etc.	Sheri Gunderson 605.275.2071 Sheri.gunderson@fvcenter.org

Downtown Holidays	Downtown Sioux Falls	Downtown Sioux Falls, Inc. invites musicians, carolers and other forms of holiday entertainment to contact their office if they are interested in participating in Downtown Holidays Dec. 14 and 21. Numerous opportunities exist to voluntarily share your talents and contribute to the festive spirit of the holidays.	Maureen 605.338.4009, ext. 11 maureen@dtsf.com
Santa Letter Writing Campaign	Make-A-Wish & Macy's	Consider the Santa letter-writing campaign in partnership with the Macy's Believe Campaign to benefit Make-A-Wish® South Dakota this holiday season. Beginning November 8 ending December 24, a "Believe station" will be in the Macy's store in the Empire Mall in Sioux Falls. The station includes an official R.H. Macy Santa Mail letterbox where children can drop off their letters to Santa. For each letter received, Macy's will donate \$1 to Make-A-Wish nationwide, up to \$1 million. Letters received on Dec. 6 will earn \$2 each.	Paul Krueger 605.335.8000, info@southdakotawish.org.
Parade of Lights Helpers	Downtown Sioux Falls	A group of 8 to 15 is needed to clean up after the Parade of Lights from 8:15 pm to 10:00 pm Nov. 29. Families will gather to view a dazzling lighted holiday parade along Phillips Avenue from 14 th to 5 th Street. The clean up group will throw away cups or other litter left behind.	Maureen Ohm (605) 338-4009, ext. 11
Holiday Visitor	Children's Care Hospital & School	Spend time with youth living at Children's Care Hospital & School, giving individual attention to a youth whose family may not be able to visit for the holidays.	Sarah M. Donahue 605.444.9621 sarah.donahue@cchs.org
Christmas for a Cause	Benefits Community Outreach, Dec. 13 at Pavilion	Volunteers are needed to help with usher and seat people at the concert; volunteer as stage hands to assist the musicians in loading and unloading their instruments, helping welcome people as receptions and collecting distributions, and assisting with set up and tear down in the event and event hall.	Dane Bloch 605.331.3935 dane@thecommunityoutreach.org
Be A Santa To A Senior	Home Instead Senior Care	Holiday shoppers can pick up an ornament, buy items on the list and return them unwrapped to the store, along with the ornament attached. Home	For more information, contact Home Instead Senior Care at 605-274-2273 or visit our website: homeinstead.com/siouxfalls .

		Instead Senior Care then enlists the volunteer help of its staff, senior-care business associates, non-profit workers and others to collect, wrap and distribute the gifts to these seniors.	
Christmas Meal	Active Generations	Help serve a holiday meal Dec 12 from 11 am to 2 pm. Volunteers are needed to help people through the line, with beverages, clean up and set up of tables.	Melissa Townsend 605.333.3304
Augustana Lutheran Church	Thanksgiving Meal	Nov. 17, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Volunteers needed at 10:45. Open to the public. All welcome. Free will. Helpers needed for set up, clean up, hosting, greeting, feed prep and more.	Nancy 605.940.3072 nkaremin@gmail.com
Arthritis Foundation Jingle Bell Run	Jingle Bell Run, 11.29 at 5:30 pm.	Volunteers will stand along to 5K route to help guide the runners/walkers and be available to call one of the coordinators if a runner/walker needs help. Training for this will start around 5:30 pm the night of 11/29.	Vickie Goodwin, 605-201-7973, vgoodwin@arthritis.org , deadline is 11/24/13.

Thanksgiving Meals (CALL EARLY TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER)

- Augustana Lutheran Church Thanksgiving Meal, 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Open to all. Free will offering. Call 940.3072 to volunteer.
- Bowden Youth Center Thanksgiving Meal. November 22, 2012, 6pm. Open to all youth and families.
- Goodwill of The Great Plains Thanksgiving Dinner, November 23, 23013 from 11 am to 2pm at SD Achieve. Volunteers arrive by 10:30 am, no volunteers under 16 please. Call Elthea at 731-1932 for more information
- Union Gospel Mission Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 2013, 11:30 am (seating starts), 220 N. Weber Ave, call 334-6732 for more information.
- Memorial Lutheran Church Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 2013, noon., call 334-7133 for reservations. Meal delivery available.
- The Banquet Thanksgiving Dinner- Thanksgiving Day—Thursday, November 28, 2013 6:00-7:30pm To volunteer please call, 605-335-7066. Sign up begins Nov. 1.

Christmas Meals: (CALL EARLY TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER)

- Union Gospel Mission Christmas Day, December 25, 2013. 11:30 am (seating starts), 220 N. Weber Ave., call 334-6732 for more information
- The Banquet Christmas Eve Dinner, Tuesday, December 24, 2013--- Dinner served 5 pm to 6:30 pm. To volunteer please call, 605-335-7066. Sign up begins Dec. 1.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Date	Event	Details	Contact
November 2, 9 am to 3 pm	First Lutheran Church Bazaar, First Lutheran Church, 327 S. Dakota Ave., Sioux Falls, SD	The bazaar features food, attic treasures, antiques, used books and Christmas gifts. All proceeds are donated to mission work in Sioux Falls, across the country and abroad.	336-3734
Sunday, Nov.3, 2013 at O’Gorman High School. Performing Arts Center. 2:30 pm	Festival of Men’s Voices Concert-	Benefitting The Banquet’s Project: SOS. This is a free concert featuring five men’s choruses. This year’s theme is “Songs of Faith.” A free will	Madeline 605.335.7066 madeline@thebanquetsf.org

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		offering goes toward the purchase of school supplies for children living in low –income families.	
Annual Holiday Bazaar, Nov. 8	Good Samaritan Society-Luther Manor	Goodies galore and great gifts at this wonderful event sponsored by the Luther Manor Auxiliary. Handmade crafts, jewelry, scarves and ornaments for gift giving and decorating. Homemade treats, goodies for the kids and a light lunch will be offered. Please join us for this wonderful annual event! Proceeds are used for resident needs and Christmas gifts.	336-1997
November 8, 3pm – 8pm November 9, 9am-5pm	Holiday Sioux Empire Arts & Crafts Show	Held at the Expo Building on the WH Lyon Fairgrounds. Admission is \$3 adults. Event features handcrafted and homemade items by talented local artists and crafters in the Midwest.	332-6000
Nov. 8, 9, 10	Pose Your Pets With Santa	For \$20, you will get a CD of photos of your pet with Santa. Makes for great holiday cards.	Call 338-4441 to make an appointment
Begins November 22 from 6 to 9 with a kickoff event, then every night afterward as well	Winter Wonderland and Lights Show at Falls Park	Please join us for the flipping of the switch! Winter Wonderland at Falls Park kicks off Friday, November 22, 2013 from 6-9 p.m. Children can visit Santa & Mrs. Claus, reindeer and other animals. This event is free for the entire family! Park downtown and ride the free Trolley to Falls Park. The park will be closed to drive through traffic the evening of the event. Parking at Falls Park is limited to handicap accessible vehicles the night of the event. Winter Wonderland at Falls Park is a dazzling display of lights and holiday festivities for all ages. Falls Park will continue to “light up” nightly through January 5, 2014.	336-1620
Nov. 23 10 am to 5 pm Nov. 24, 11 am to 4 pm	Trains at Christmas	The Sioux Valley Model Engineers Society hosts display of model railroads in a Christmas setting at the fairground’s expo building.	www.sdmes.org
November 22, 6 pm Gala November 23, 10 am-3pm, public viewing	Annual Festival of Trees at Avera Prairie Center, 1000 E. 23rd St.	Public viewing is a free-will donation this year. Gala tickets are \$75.	www.southeasternbh.org Taryn Siestsema, 336-0510

November 28	The Banquet's Run For Food-	Choose from a 5k, 10k or 1 mile walk. A \$10 suggested donation to The Banquet. No registration, just show up to run/walk or bike. Contact Tamera Jerke-Liesinger at 335-7066 for more information.	Tamera Jerke-Liesinger 605.335.7066 tamera@thebanquetsf.org
Nov. 29, 5:30 to 7:30 pm	Jingle Bell Run	Volunteers will stand along to 5K route to help guide the runners/walkers and be available to call one of the coordinators if a runner/walker needs help. Training for this will start around 5:30 pm the night of 11/29.	Vickie Goodwin, 605-201-7973, vgoodwin@arthritis.org , deadline is 11/24/13.
November 28 – January 1	Christmas at the Western Mall	Hours of operation are from 5:30pm to 9:30pm every day. The show runs every day from Thanksgiving Day through New Year's Day. Enjoy this year's new and beautiful digital light display set to music in the warmth of the Western Mall. Free will donations support Make-A-Wish South Dakota.	Paul Krueger pkrueger@southdakota.wish.org
November 29, 7:30pm	Parade of Lights	Beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, November 29, dazzling lighted holiday floats and music will flood historic Phillips Avenue from 14th Street to 5th Street. The 22nd Annual Parade of Lights is the official start to the downtown holiday season!	Downtown Sioux Falls 605.338.4009
November 29, 6:30 pm, YMCA	Jingle Bell Run/Walk Sioux Falls YWCA and Arthritis Foundation	Dust off your Santa hat and grab your candy cane for the Sioux Falls Jingle Bell Run/Walk to fight arthritis. 5k walk or run. Great costume contest and team prizes	For more information or to register: www.siouxfallsjbr09.kintera.org or call (800) 333-1380.
Nov. 29 to Dec. 24	Gift Wrapping at Empire Mall for Children's Inn	Bring your gifts to the Children's Inn Gift Wrapping Booth in the Macy's court of the Empire Mall and have your gifts wrapped. All proceeds from the Gift Wrap Booth benefit the Children's Inn. Our Christmas Wish List will be available at our booth or at www.chssd.org/childrensinn .	Cydney Hunt 605.338.0116 Cydney.hunt@chssd.org
Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14 & 21	Downtown Sioux Falls, Horse & Wagon Rides	Enjoy free horse & wagon rides loading in the plaza by 12 th & Phillips from noon –	605.338.4009

		4:00pm.	
December 6 at 8 pm	Band Christmas Extravaganza	Augustana Band Concert, performing at the Washington Pavilion.	For tickets call 274-5320 or Augietickets.com
Dec. 6 pm and 9 pm Dec. 7 3 pm and 7:30 pm	Christmas Vespers	Concert featuring the Augustana Choir. All performances are at Our Savior's Church.	For tickets call 274-5320 or Augietickets.com
December 7 & 8, 11 am to 5 pm	Sioux Falls Area Humane Society Howliday Open House	Do all of your shopping at the Humane Society! Crafts, Gifts, and Goodies Galore at our Bake Sale! All proceeds benefit our animals.	(605) 338-4441
Dec. 7, 10 am (blizzard reset date of Dec. 14 if necessary)	North Pole Carnival at Active Generations	Free event! Children of all ages will love to visit the North Pole Carnival at Active Generations. This includes free photos with Santa, kids can decorate a cookie to take home, crafts and more.	336-6722
December 8 at 3 pm	The Singing Boys of Sioux Falls Holiday Concert	Concert at East Side Lutheran Church	605.201.0628.
December 13 and December 14	Southern Hills 15 th Annual Living Nativity	Southern Hills United Methodist Church – 3400 E. 49 th Street, SF SD 57103. Come and see the nativity scene re-created with characters and real animals. Free, and open to all. Donations of non perishable food for the Food Pantry are accepted	For more information, call 371-2065 info@SoHillsUMC.org
Dec. 13 at 7:30 pm Dec. 14 at 7:30 pm Dec. 15 at 1 pm & 7:30pm Dec. 16, 2 pm & 7:30 pm	Christmas at the Cathedral	St. Josephs Cathedral hosts the SD Symphony Orchestra and other great artists for this holiday music celebration. Proceeds go to maintain the cathedral.	For info, call 988-3788 or visit www.sfcatholic.org cnawroth@sfcatholic.org
Dec.13, 2013	Christmas for a Cause	The annual Christmas For A Cause fundraising event will take place at the Washington Pavilion on Dec. 13. All proceed and contributions benefit The Community Outreach. The event will feature a reception with a Christmas concert headlined by the local musical Aubrey Bohl. A silent auction will be available and free will donations are accepted.	Dane Bloch 605.331.3935

Dec. 14 & 21	Downtown Sioux Falls, Santa in Shriver Square	Visit Santa in Shriver Square from 11:00am – 5:00pm on Dec. 14 and from 10:00am – 5:00pm on Dec. 21. Free. Bring your own camera.	338-4009
Dec. 14, 10 am to 2 pm	Winter Wonders at the Sertoma Butterfly House & Marine Cove	Santa is visiting the Sertoma Butterfly House and Marine over! Be sure to bring your list for Santa. Children will be making a holiday craft.	605.334.9466 www.sertomabutterflyhouse.org
Dec. 14, 7 pm	Christmas Is Here, a benefit concert for the Family Visitation Center at the Orpheum	This concert featuring Nashville recording artist Jill Miller was started in 2011 to support the services that impacted over 644 children last year in Sioux Falls and surrounding communities. Join the talented and dynamic Jill Miller for a fun, family-oriented evening of celebrating the Christmas season.	For tickets visit www.familyvisitationcenter.org
Dec. 22, 7:30 pm	Chamber Orchestra Holiday Concert	Orchestra Holiday Concert	367-6000
December 31	El Riad Shrine New Years Dance	Purchase tickets in advance to reserve tables. Starts at 7 pm.	336-1117

