



## Holiday Giving Opportunities

Name	Organization	Details	Contact
Sharing Christmas	Center of Hope, Community Outreach	Sharing Christmas, formerly Holiday Clearing House, is coordinated by The Community Outreach and Center of Hope, which provides Christmas gifts to families in need through the support of community churches, businesses, community organizations, and individuals. To sponsor a family complete an online application or call The Community Outreach, (605) 331-3935 or Center of Hope, (605) 334-9789.	The Community Outreach (605) 331-3935 <a href="http://www.thecommunityoutreach.org">www.thecommunityoutreach.org</a> Center of Hope (605) 334-9789 <a href="http://www.centerofhopesf.org">www.centerofhopesf.org</a>
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
Thanksgiving food Basket / 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 <a href="mailto:jennifer.grossman@avera.org">jennifer.grossman@avera.org</a> . People who need the food boxes should contact the Salvation Army beginning Oct. 28. Volunteers need Friday, Nov. 21 & Saturday. Nov. 22	To donate, Jen Grossman, <a href="mailto:jennifer.grossman@avera.org">jennifer.grossman@avera.org</a>  To receive help, call the Salvation Army at (605) 338-6649
Sioux Falls Cares	Sioux Falls Cares	Sioux Falls Cares is a non-profit, community based project providing food, new clothes and toys for needy families every Christmas since 1991. Their goal is to share with those less fortunate with children from pre-school age through high school. They provide toys, food, clothing (caps, gloves, and socks) to families in need with children during Christmas. Volunteers needed December 10 and 11.	To donate – call Joan Millage, 332-9146. or <a href="mailto:siouxfallscares@hotmail.com">siouxfallscares@hotmail.com</a>  To apply – talk to your child's school counselor.
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 December 6. Please have gifts to the Family Visitation Center at 311 E. 14 <sup>th</sup> St. by December. 1 <sup>st</sup>	LaRae Oberloh 605.275.2071 <a href="mailto:Larae.overloh@fvcenter.org">Larae.overloh@fvcenter.org</a>

Toys for Tots	The Marines	The Marines Toys for Tots program provides gifts for kids at Christmas time. Starting October 15th, 2014 email or visit <a href="http://www.sioux-falls-sd.toysfortots.org">www.sioux-falls-sd.toysfortots.org</a> to apply. Email applications should include name and phone number. Applications are due by December 5th, 2014. Pick up dates are December 20th and 21st.	siouxfallstoysforfots@yahoo.com  <a href="http://www.sioux-falls-sd.toysfortots.org">www.sioux-falls-sd.toysfortots.org</a>
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 7, 2014	Brienne Maner 605.338.4009 ext. 12, brienne@dtsf.com
Toy Town	Salvation Army	The Salvation Army annual "Toy Town" distribution. Applicants will be interviewed, call 261-6777 for details or pick up list of dates and times for interviews at The Salvation Army, 800 N. Cliff Ave, Sioux Falls. Distribution will be December 18 <sup>th</sup> in the evening and December 19 <sup>th</sup> in the morning.	Gary Peterson, 261-6777 bgpete63@gmail.com
Howliday Tree For Shelter Pets	Sioux Falls Area Humane Society	Take an ornament off our Holiday tree for shelter pets. Each ornament has a wish list item on the back. Donate the item by placing it under the tree. This will take place Dec. 1 to 31.	(605) 338-4441
Good Samaritan Society-Adopt-A-Neighborhood	Christmas gifts for residents Good Samaritan Society – Luther Manor Sioux Falls Village Sioux Falls Center	Help Good Samaritan Society provide a very special Christmas to residents by adopting a neighborhood and providing gifts from their wish list. Businesses, corporate groups and individuals are asked to host a Christmas gift collection and adopt five residents or many more! There are over 400 residents to adopt. Donors can shop or donate money to have gifts purchased. Groups have the option to come help hand out gifts, drop them off, or arrange for us to pick them up by December 8 <sup>th</sup> .	Tiffany Eichstadt – 929-1242 or <a href="mailto:teichsta@good-sam.com">teichsta@good-sam.com</a>
Hoodies & Footies	The Banquet	The Banquet is collecting brand new sweatshirts and socks to give to the guests for Christmas. Please purchase a hooded sweatshirt in your size and a pair of warm socks for a guest. Donations can be dropped off at The Banquet, Monday-Friday, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, or on Saturday from 9:00 – 1:00 pm at 900 E. 8 <sup>th</sup> St., Sioux Falls.	Madeline 605.335.7066 Madeline@thebanquetsf.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
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 or 605.338-6649
Spirit Tree	Volunteers of America, Dakotas	Help Volunteers of America, Dakotas fulfill our participant's holiday wish lists with our annual Spirit Tree. By purchasing an item on a wish list, you can make someone's holiday season brighter. Spirit Trees will be located at various businesses and organizations throughout the Sioux Empire. Find the complete list of tree locations and wishes at <a href="http://www.voa-dakotas.org">www.voa-dakotas.org</a> To become a program sponsor, host a tree, and/or obtain cards and wish lists	Contact - James Payer II 605-444-2445 (direct). Email: <a href="mailto:j.payer@voa-dakotas.org">j.payer@voa-dakotas.org</a> . Website: <a href="http://www.voa-dakotas.org">http://www.voa-dakotas.org</a>  call Volunteers of America, Dakotas and ask for James.
Tree of Love	Sponsored by First National Bank and Active Generations	Trees up November 26 at First National Bank in Sioux Falls locations downtown, on 57 <sup>th</sup> , 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 branch by Dec. 18 <sup>th</sup> . Gifts will go to Prince of Peace and Good Samaritan Luther Manor.	Jenny Centra <a href="mailto:jcentra@activegen.org">jcentra@activegen.org</a> 605.333.3306
Children's Connection Christmas Party	Family Connection	Christmas for children with an incarcerated loved one can be a lonely time of year. Donate tied fleece blankets or board games. This is the only gift that many of our children receive.	Lou Vogt at 605-357-0777 or <a href="mailto:vogtlou@sdfamilyconnection.org">vogtlou@sdfamilyconnection.org</a> Website <a href="http://www.sdfamilyconnection.org">www.sdfamilyconnection.org</a>
Tree of Hope	McCrossan Boy's Ranch	The McCrossan Boys Ranch Tree of Hope will be located at Scheels All Sports on 41st & Western, Dakota Sports/Dakota Lettering on Kiwanis, Hy-Vee on Minnesota Avenue, and Wal-Mart on 60 <sup>th</sup> St. N. The trees will be on display from November 26 <sup>th</sup> - December 26 <sup>th</sup> . Gifts for boys ages 9-20 are needed. Just pick a card off the tree and return unwrapped to the store you picked it up at or bring to McCrossan Boys Ranch by December 26 <sup>th</sup> . 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 <a href="mailto:Christy.menning@mccrossan.org">Christy.menning@mccrossan.org</a>

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."	Robin Erz, rerz@glory-house.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 <a href="http://www.thecommunityoutreach.org">www.thecommunityoutreach.org</a>	Dane Bloch 605.331.3915 dane@thecommunityoutreach.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 Augustana College before Dec. 15. Fill out the donor intake form at <a href="http://www.augie.edu/teentown">www.augie.edu/teentown</a>	<a href="mailto:Volunteer@augie.edu">Volunteer@augie.edu</a> or 605-274-5011
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 19.	Tracy Kunzelman 367-5444 ext 206  Anthea Chester 367-5444 ext 216
Project Warm Up	Edison Rosa Parks Elementary  Saturday, Dec 13 11:00-3:00,	Last year nearly 1000 students were identified as homeless in the Sioux Falls School District and even more have extreme needs due to health, employment, and family issues. Project Warm-Up provides students in need with a warm fleece blanket to have as their very own. Donations of money and fleece are accepted at any time at the Instructional Planning Center, 201 E 38th Street and Rosa Parks Elementary School, 5701 E Red Oak Dr. Sioux Falls, SD 57110	Tracy Vik 605-360-4858 <a href="mailto:tracy.vik@k12.sd.us">tracy.vik@k12.sd.us</a> <a href="http://www.projectwarmup.org">www.projectwarmup.org</a>
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, after November 10, 2013 & purchase a gift for a senior in need, and return it by December 15.	For more information, contact Home Instead Senior Care at 605-274-2273 or visit our website: <a href="http://homeinstead.com/siouxfalls">homeinstead.com/siouxfalls</a> .

Fresh Start Drive	Volunteers of America	Support local children, youth and families by contributing new hygiene essentials to our Fresh Start Drive November 3 <sup>rd</sup> through 14 <sup>th</sup> . With your donations, our Outreach Services can provide participants with a “fresh start” this holiday season. Needed items include: laundry detergent, shampoo and conditioner, tooth brushes, tooth paste, toilet paper, facial tissue, body wash, deodorant, dental floss, disposable razors, feminine hygiene products, lotion and diapers. This year, we will have two drop-off sites: Volunteers of America, Dakotas’ Bollinger Center at 1309 W. 51 <sup>st</sup> Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57109 or the Washington Pavilion at 301 S. Main Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57104.	<u>Contact</u> - James Payer II 605-444-2445 (direct). Email: <a href="mailto:j.payer@voa-dakotas.org">j.payer@voa-dakotas.org</a> . Website: <a href="http://www.voa-dakotas.org">http://www.voa-dakotas.org</a>
Turkey and Ham Drive	Feeding South Dakota	Feeding South Dakota does a turkey and ham drive in November and December. They collect turkeys to give to families for Thanksgiving and then hams for Christmas. Donation can be dropped off at the Food Pantry.	John Geyer is the contact: <a href="mailto:john@feedingsouthdakota.org">john@feedingsouthdakota.org</a> or he can be reached by calling 335.6921.
Cold Weather! Warm Coats!	LSS Center for New Americans	We are accepting new or <u>good, clean, used</u> coats, scarves, hats, gloves, snow pants, mittens and boots for men, women, and children. At the present time we are unable to accept general clothing donations. Donations may be brought to the Center for New Americans in Sioux Falls.	Linda Jensen, LSS Development Officer at 1-800-568-2401 ext. 7536, 605-444-7536 or <a href="mailto:Linda.Jensen@LssSD.org">Linda.Jensen@LssSD.org</a>
Crafting Hearts	LifeScape (Children’s Care Hospital & South Dakota Achieve	LifeScape supports children with disabilities to explore their world through various hands-on leisure activities. LifeScape would welcome various crafting supplies such paint, finger paint, brushes, paper, glue, craft accessories, ceramics, yarn, ribbon, wire, beads, buttons, tissue paper, scrapbooking supplies, Styrofoam shapes, etc. You are welcomed to drop off supplies Attn: Becky Sluiter at 2501 W. 26 <sup>th</sup> St, Sioux Falls (former Children’s Care Hospital). Thank you!	Please contact <a href="mailto:rebecca.sluiter@lifescapesd.org">rebecca.sluiter@lifescapesd.org</a>
Refugee Christmas	LSS Center for New Americans	Want to share a smile this Christmas? Give a gift to a newly-arrived refugee family. Something as simple as a teddy bear, warm mittens, or a book can make a big difference for a family who has fled from war and persecution and arrived in the U.S. in the last year.	Please contact Kristyne Walth for more information: <a href="mailto:Kristyne.walth@lsssd.org">Kristyne.walth@lsssd.org</a> (605) 731-2009.

Boys & Girls Club Christmas Wish List	Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire	Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire serves over 700 children daily. For just \$25 you can sponsor a child to be a member of the Boys & Girls Club. If you would prefer to make a physical item donation, please see our wish list at <a href="http://www.bgcsiouxempire.org/donations">www.bgcsiouxempire.org/donations</a> .	Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire (605) 338-8061 <a href="http://www.bgcsiouxempire.org">www.bgcsiouxempire.org</a> Joni denHoed <a href="mailto:idenhoed@youthenrichment.org">idenhoed@youthenrichment.org</a>
Feast of Hope	BE FREE	<p>Be Free will be serving a meal at the Sioux Falls Ministry Center to families who would appreciate a warm home cooked meal.</p> <p><b>The FREE dinner will be held on Saturday December 13th from 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM.</b> All are welcome!!!</p> <p>If you are interested in helping to serve the meal, donate money towards the meal and children's gifts, or gather winter items for the families who come we would be so thankful for your involvement!!!!</p> <p>All sizes BIG or small New or like new: Mittens, gloves, hats, snow boots, scarves, kids snow suits, NEW socks, NEW underwear.</p> <p>Any personal care items: Especially shampoo &amp; conditioner, feminine hygiene items, body wash, tooth brushes and tooth paste</p> <p>We are also are receiving donations \$\$ to buy and fill small Christmas gift bags for the children!</p>	<p>Rachel Taubert (605) 261-9664 <a href="mailto:rachel.befree58@gmail.com">rachel.befree58@gmail.com</a> <a href="http://befree58.org">befree58.org</a></p> <p>BE FREE 225 E. 11th Street Sioux Falls SD 57104</p>
Donate warm clothing items	Mittens from Moms	<p>Passionate about helping others, and wanted to do something unique for others this holiday season? Start collecting warm weather gear for those in need, who live in our community. Items, such as hats, coats, mittens, etc. Items can be dropped off at: Mrs. Murphy's Irish Gifts, Ten Thousand Villages, Excel Chiropractic and Your Unique Salon. They will be collecting warm weather gear through Sat, Dec 13th and delivering them on Tues, Dec 16th to the Bowden Youth Center.</p>	<p>For more information contact Tina Johnson at: 605-929-5200 or <a href="mailto:Johnson.Tina4@gmail.com">Johnson.Tina4@gmail.com</a></p>

