HOLIDAY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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WHERE TO GO FOR FREE THANKSGIVING DINNERS

WHERE TO APPLY FOR THANKSGIVING/ CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

WHERE TO DONATE/VOLUNTEER DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON

PLEASE CALL AGENCY TO CONFIRM DATES AND TIMES OF PROGRAMS

THANKSGIVING DINNERS

Cameron Community Ministries (254-2697)

Thanksgiving dinner

48 Cameron Street

Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Christmas dinner, December 21, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Anyone in need is welcome

No carry-out Cost: none

Community Lutheran Ministries, Inc. (338-2420)

Thanksgiving dinner

942 Joseph Avenue

Thanksgiving dinner, Saturday before Thanksgiving, November 23

Community Place of Greater Rochester (288-0021)

Thanksgiving dinner

145 Parsells Avenue

Thursday November 21, 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Area served 14609, parts of 14605, 14607, 14610, and parts of 14621

Cost: none

Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church (546-5997)

Thanksgiving dinner

549 Clarissa Street

Wednesday, November 20, 5:00 – 6:00 PM

Anyone in need is welcome

Come to the above address

Cost: none

Open Door Mission (454-6696)

Thanksgiving dinner

Open Door Mission, 210 West Main Street

Thanksgiving Day November 28, 4:00 – 7:00 PM

Religious service 6:00 – 6:30 PM

Anyone in need is welcome

Cost: none

St. Martin's Place (325-6500)

Thanksgiving dinner

St. Martin's Place, 55 Ontario Street

Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Anyone in need is welcome

Come to the above address; reservations not necessary

Cost: none

St. Peter's Kitchen (235-6511)

Thanksgiving dinner

Basement of Fairchild Place, behind church at 681 Brown Street

Thanksgiving Day, November 28, 12:00 -1:00 PM

Christmas Day 12:00 – 1:00 PM

Anyone in need is welcome

Come to the above address; reservations not necessary

No carry-out Cost: none

Salvation Army (987-9500)

Thanksgiving dinner

100 West Avenue

70 Liberty Pole Way

Sunday November 23, service at 10:30 AM, with meal following

Anyone in need is welcome

Reservations not necessary

Cost: none

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

The following agencies are accepting applications for Thanksgiving food baskets for needy families. An interview is required and clients must present the following documentation for proof of eligibility: proof of income; identification for each family member, including social security number; and photo identification for the head of household. Please note that services are limited to areas listed. Call the agency for additional information.

Dimitri House (325-1796)

Food baskets

102 North Union Street

Serves 14604, 14605, 14607, and 14609

Call the above number beginning October 1

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Monday – Thursday

Baskets given on a first come, first served basis to qualified applicants. Cost: none

Irondequoit Community Cupboard (336-9107)

Food baskets

4275 Culver Road

by appointment only please call BY November 10

Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church (546-5997)

Food Baskets

549 Clarissa Street

Serves all of Monroe County

Come to the above address October 25 and November 1, at 4:30 PM, to fill out application

Cost: none, please bring I.D. for the whole household

Mission Share (368-0746)

Food Baskets
10 Cedarfield Commons

By appointment only please call

Rochester Family Mission (436-7523)

Food Baskets

388 Tremont Street

2012 Holiday Basket Sign-up

One time sign-up for both Thanksgiving and Christmas

Tuesday October 8, 9:00 – 11:30 AM, Zip codes: 14606, 14608, 14611, 14619 Wednesday October 9 and Thursday October 10, 9:00 – 11:30 AM (all Zip codes)

What to bring: 1. I.D., 2. Proof of residency, 3. Proof of income

Cost: none, first come, first serve

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS AND TOYS

The following agencies are accepting applications for Christmas food baskets and/or toys for needy families.

All agencies require an interview and clients must present the following documentation for proof of eligibility: proof of income; identification for each family member, including social security number; and photo identification, proof of current address for the head of household.

Not all agencies cover every area of the city; be sure to check each listing for Zip Codes covered. For additional information, contact the appropriate agency at the number given.

Baden Street Settlement (325-4910 ext. 131 or 132)

Christmas food baskets and toys

152 Baden Street

Serves E. Ridge Road (north), Inner Loop (south), St Paul Street (west), Portland Avenue/Carter Street (east); portions of 14605, 14604 and 14621

Apply at the above address between October 30 and December 2, 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM and 2:00 – 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday

Cost: none

Community Place of Greater Rochester (288-0021 and 327-7200)

Christmas food baskets

145 Parsells Avenue and 57 Central Park

Serves 14609, parts of 14605, 14607, 14610, and 14621

Cost: none

Community Place of Greater Rochester

Special Program for Children (288-0021)

Breakfast with Santa

145 Parsells Avenue

Saturday, December 14, 10:00 AM

Children ages 12 and under, and parents

Advanced registration is required. Call by December 2

Cost: \$2.00 per person

Maplewood Edgerton (MEEK) (458-4682)

Christmas food baskets

121 Driving Park Avenue

Serves 14613, 14615 and portions of 14608

Call the above number beginning November 25, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:00 – 11:30 AM

Cost: none

Rochester Family Mission (436-7523)

Christmas food baskets and toys

388 Tremont Street

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Wednesday October 9 and Thursday October 10, 9:00 – 11:30 AM (all Zip codes)

What to bring: 1. I.D., 2. Proof of residency, 3. Proof of income

Cost: none, first come first serve

Salvation Army (987-9500)

Christmas food baskets and toys

100 West Avenue

Serves all of Monroe County

Apply at the above address between November 11 and 15. Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 12:00

PM, 1:00 – 4:00 PM. Wednesday 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM, 1:00 – 7:00 PM.

Cost: none

SWEM Community Services (235-4494)

Christmas food baskets

350 Chili Avenue (clients must call)

Serves 14428, 14514, 14546, 14559, 14606, 14608, 14611, 14614, 14619, parts of 14623 (west of Genesee River), 14624

Call the above number between November 4 - 18, November 11 - 18, and November 18 - 22 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM, Monday – Friday

Cost: none

Togetherness in Love (224-2840)

Christmas food baskets and toys

1443 East Main Street

Serves all of Monroe County

To sign up come to the above address between November 1 and December 13, 9:30-11:30 AM and 1:00-2:30 PM. Food baskets and toys distributed on December 16, beginning at 5:30 PM

Cost: none

Dimitri House (325-1796)

Christmas food baskets and gifts (for children under 18)

102 North Union Street

Serves 14604, 14605, 14607 and 14609

Call the above number beginning November 1, 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Monday – Thursday

Baskets are given on a first come first served basis to qualified applicants

Cost: none

DONATIONS FOR THANKSGIVING, CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS, AND GIFTS

Those who wish may donate money, food, or toys to the following:

Baden Street Settlement

Accepts donations of new unwrapped presents, toys, clothing and food baskets. Money donations are also accepted. Make checks payable to Baden Street Holiday Fund and mail to 152 Baden Street, Rochester, NY 14605, Attn: Anne E. Miller. Items can be dropped off Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM through December 16. For further information, call 325-4910, ext. 131 or 132

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester Annual Christmas Appeal

Make checks out to Annual Christmas Appeal and mail to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester, Christmas Appeal, 1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, NY 14624

Catholic Family Center "Adopt a Family" Program

Matches families with a donor who provides Christmas dinner and gifts for each family member. The deadline for donor applications is October 28. To "Adopt a Family," call Bobbi McGarrity at 232-2050

Central Library, Information Center. Mitten Tree

Accepts donations of mittens, gloves hats and scarves for children and adults. The tree will be located on the first floor of the Bausch and Lomb Public Library Building, 115 South Avenue, November 4 – December 13. Items will be donated to a local non-denominational agency

Community Place of Greater Rochester

Accepts donations of clothing, games, toys, food or money. Checks can be made out to Community Place of Greater Rochester and sent in c/o Family Services Unit, 145 Parsells Avenue, Rochester, NY 14609. Items cam be dropped off at the office through December 6 or call 288-0021, for more information

DePaul

Seeking Holiday Helpers to purchase gifts for clients in DePaul's mental health residential and treatment programs. Contact Amy Cavalier at (585) 719-3102 or at acavalier@depaul.org to be matched with a holiday wish that includes an individual's gender, age and size. Or, you can donate generic items such as scarves, hats, gloves and personal care items. Monetary donations are always welcome. Gifts should be dropped off by December 5, at 1931 Buffalo Road, Rochester, NY 14624

Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church

Accepts donations of non-perishable food items for Thanksgiving food baskets. Money or food certificates from grocery stores also accepted. Checks should be made payable to Memorial A.M.E Zion Church, and mailed to 549 Clarissa Street, Rochester, NY 14608. Items can be dropped off at the church by November 4. Call 546-5997 for more information

YWCA Adopt a Family Program

Donations needed for gifts to women taking part in YWCA's Housing and teen program. For more information, call 368-2261

Rochester Family Mission

Accepts donations of children's gifts or non-perishable food items. Money donations are also accepted. Checks should be made payable to Rochester Family Mission Holiday Project and mailed to 388 Tremont Street, Rochester, NY 14608. For more information, call 436-7523

Dimitri House

Accepts donations of non-perishable food items or money. Make checks payable to Dimitri House and mail to 102 North Union Street, Rochester, NY 14605. Items can be dropped off Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM and 1:00 – 5:00 PM. For further information, call 325-1796.

Hillside Family of Agencies

Seeking "Special Santas" to purchase gifts for needy children, teens and special families served by the family of agencies. Accepts new, unwrapped presents, money of food certificates from grocery stores also accepted. Make checks payable to Hillside special Santa Program and mail to Hillside Family of Agencies, 1183 Monroe Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620. For more information, log on to www.hillside.com; to sign up, call 256-7515 before December 6

St. Joseph's Villa Holiday Wishes Program

Accepts donations such as new generic gifts for children (infants to 20 yrs), new clothes, winter apparel, board games. Monetary donations also accepted. Items can be dropped off before December 6 at St. Joseph's Villa 3300 Dewey Avenue. For further information, call Linda McFarland at 865-1550, ext. 258

Third Presbyterian Church

Accepts donations of new toys and non-perishable food items. Items can be dropped off at the church office, Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, by December 9. Money donations also accepted. Make checks payable to Third Presbyterian Church and mail to 4 Meigs Street, Rochester, NY 14607. For further information call Rev. Rod Frohman 271-6537, ext. 106

Togetherness in Love

Accepts donations of new toys and non-perishable food items. Items can be dropped off at TILC before December 16. Money donations are also accepted. Make checks payable to Togetherness in Love and mail to 1443 East Main Street, Rochester, NY 14609. For further information, call 224-2840

Toys for Tots (Salvation Army)

Groups in churches only need to send a request on letterhead stationary indicating the ages up to 12 and the gender of the children involved. Requests should be addressed to Major Charles Dietrick, P.O. Box 4120, Rochester, NY 14604. To Adopt a Family call Chris Dinottia 987-9540, ext 2233. Bell Ringers needed call 987-9500, ext. 2313. Volunteers needed for Angel Trees Program, provides gifts to children and Toy Shop setup and distribution, call Rosemary Davis 987-9500, ext 2309

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Crestwood Children's Center

Needs volunteers to process donated gifts during the week of November 28. For more information or to volunteer, call 429-2700, ext. 2751

Hillside Family of Agencies

Needs volunteers to work at the Center filling bags. For more information or to volunteer, call 256-7630

IF YOU NEED FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF THE PROGRAMS LISTED, PLEASE CALL THE AGENCY DIRECTLY.

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