

48th Annual Toy Store!

Dear family and friends,

Welcome to our 48th annual Christmas Toy Store, December 16th, 17th, and 18th. This will be our third year of running the Toy Store Program during Covid-19 conditions, and it has worked very well for the past two (2) years. Please know that we plan to continue following all Covid-19 guidelines to keep our families, staff, and volunteers safe. The extra day is giving us the ability to practice social distance by keeping the number of participants at 10 or less during each of the shopping slots. Masks will be optional. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Your donations to the HCC Toy Store, are a <u>WIN-WIN-WIN</u> for all: participating FAMILIES win because their dignity is respected as they buy toys for their own children at a price they can afford; HCC wins as proceeds from the store help support the Center's Youth & Family programs; and our donors, <u>YOU!</u> win as you have seen your donations make a real difference over so many years. See the impact of the Toy Sale in this short video: https://youtu.be/zz1Gfx78V6M.

Important notes for donations

- ❖ You can make a difference by doing a toy drive with your church, school, workplace, neighbors, or any other social group. Think big!
- ❖ We request that only <u>NEW</u>, unwrapped items be donated and that you <u>LEAVE</u> the price tag on each toy. You can find a shopping list with toy recommendations enclosed with this letter.
- Help us facilitate a smooth donation process by calling Nilka Melendez, Edith Tavera or Salvador Rosas at 407-880-4673 ext.239, 241 or 244 *before* bringing your toys for drop off.
- Please note change of location for drop off: HCC building at 1016 N Park Ave., Apopka, FL 32712. (We will NOT be using St. Francis of Assisi Church this year as we are now able to store the toys at our offices.)
- ❖ HCC can receive toy donations from December 1 15.
- The deadline for all donations is Thursday, December 15th.

YOU are the reason that so many families in our community will be able to shop for <u>affordable</u> <u>toys</u> this Christmas season. The Toy Store Committee <u>thanks</u> YOU for being a partner in bringing special joy to families struggling during these difficult times. We wish you the joy and peace of this holiday season!

If you still have any questions, please feel free to call Nilka Melendez, Edith Tavera or Salvador Rosas at 407-880-4673 ext.239, 241 or 244.

Sincerely,

Nilka Melendez Coordinator Edith Tavera

Co-Coordinator

Sister Gail Grimes, SND de Namur Co-Coordinator

Felipe Souza-Lazaballet Executive Director

Enclosed: "Recommended Toy Store Items" shopping list

ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS...

- Bicycles, skateboards, scooters, helmets tricycles
- · Dolls of all colors
- · Arts and crafts kits
- Play 'pretend' kits, jewelry, and make-up, etc. for young girls
- Sport balls of all kinds
- Educational games and books
- NEW socks, pajamas, lay clothes and underwear for boys and girls
- Household items
- Cars and trucks (Especially medium/large vehicles)
- Board games for children of all ages
- Toys, clothing and blankets for infants and toddlers
- Baby diapers (Newborn to Size 5)

**HCC will receive donations December 1st – 15th.

Please Call 407.880.4673 ext. 241 To schedule a drop off time**



AMAZON ONLINE STORE

You can also help us by ordering through Amazon and sending your order to:

HOPE COMMUNITY CENTER CHRISTMAS TOY SALE 1016 NORTH PARK AVE. APOPKA FL, 32712

Amazon Toy Wish List: http://tiny.cc/ToySale2022



