

Holiday Assistance – 2021

Any child in the U.S. can participate in USPS Operation Santa, a program through which children write letters with their gift wishes for the holiday season and others around the country adopt those letters and send gifts for that child. Whether your child celebrates Christmas or not, this is a great way to ensure that your child is receiving a gift this year.

- Letters MUST be postmarked by December 10 (but the sooner, the better) and mailed to:
Santa
123 Elf Rd
North Pole, 88888
- For more information about how the program works, go to <https://www.uspsoperationsanta.com/how>

Find your local Toys for Tots location here and search by region:

<https://www.toysfortots.org/donate/toys-city-county.aspx?txtState=PENNSYLVANIA>

If you cannot use this link, search Google for “Toys for Tots” and choose the first link in the search results, then choose “Request a Toy” option at the top of the page. Scroll down to the red font that says **Click Here**. This will allow you to search for a location near you and apply.

Allegheny County region

Catholic Charities of Allegheny County – Basic Needs Assistance

- Holiday assistance for households with children
- **Get connected:** 412-456-6999

Family Centers of Allegheny County

- Provide basic needs support to families of Allegheny County, including holiday assistance (toys and food), depending on site capacity.
- Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh oversees 6 of these centers (Braddock, Rankin, Lawrenceville, Turtle Creek, Penn Hills, Mt Oliver) – to connect a family to one of these locations, contact Abby Carpenter at 412-290-2868 or Abigail.carpenter2@upmc.edu
- For all other Allegheny County locations, see link to find the closest center <https://familycenters.alleghenycounty.us/locations/>

Allegheny Valley

Allegheny Valley Salvation Army, Angel Tree Program – toys for kids

- **Drop in:** 917 Brackenridge Ave, Brackenridge PA 15014
- **Get connected:** 724-224-6310

Northside/North Hills

North Hills Community Church

- Referrals to holiday programs, turkey vouchers, winter coats, toys at Christmas.
- Get connected: 412-487-6316

Serves Millvale region and many North Boroughs

Coraopolis

Coraopolis Youth Creations

- A free Christmas gifts and toy giveaway. Teens, infants, single moms with kids, and others can register for holiday help.
- **1022 5th Avenue, Coraopolis, PA 15108**
- **Get connected: 412-507-2055**

Wilkinsburg

Wilkinsburg Community Ministry

- Can distribute holiday bags to families
- 702 Wood Street, Pittsburgh PA 15221
- **Get connected: 412-241-8072**
- caring@wcm15221.org

Hill District

Jubilee Association Heinz Family Center

- The agency will hold a Christmas dinner
- 2005 Wyandotte Street, Pittsburgh, PA, 15219
- **Get Connected: 412-261-0373**

South Hills

Salvation Army – Temple Worship and Service Center

- Seasonal services available
- **Get connected: 412-207-2127**
- <https://easternusa.salvationarmy.org/western-pennsylvania/pittsburgh-temple/>
- 1060 McNeilly Rd, Pittsburgh PA

Redeemer Church of South Hills

- Free Christmas or Thanksgiving food baskets, stocking stuffers for kids, small toys, gift cards and other items are offered during the holidays.
- **3122 Lebanon Church Rd, West Mifflin, PA 15122**
- Get connected: 412-667-2592

Stewart Avenue Lutheran Church (Carrick, Brentwood, Baldwin only)

- Kids under 12, from low income families, can also be given a free Christmas present. There are also clothes and school items, books at Christmas, sneakers and more.
- 2810 Brownsville Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15227
- **Get connected: 412-881-4448**

Brashear Association

- Holiday assistance program, including toys and food, available for sign-up until available spots run out.
- **Get connected: 412-431-2236**

Bethel Park

New Song Community Church

- Resources/supplies vary during the holidays, call to find out whether holiday assistance is available
- 4767 Library Rd, Bethel Park PA 15102
- **Get connected: 412-283-0888**

Compassion Connection – Toy Treasures Program

- The toys available at Christmas are discounted and parents will need to buy them. However, the savings may be what some consider to be substantial. Games, books, trucks, and much more can be sold on site.
- 2725 Bethel Church Road, Bethel Park, PA 15102
- **Get connected: 412-835-8900**

St. Thomas Moore Church

- Children from low income households in Allegheny County may be given free toys - books, games, tablets, clothing, gender specific toys, board games and more.
- 126 Fort Couch Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15241
- **Get connected: 412-833-0031**

Carnegie

Salvation Army – Carnegie Service Center

- Seasonal services available
- **412-276-4757**
- <https://easternusa.salvationarmy.org/western-pennsylvania/chartiers-valley>

Homestead/Steel Valley

Best of the Batch Foundation

- Community-wide program that gives more than 150 Allegheny County families and toys, essential household items to the adults, and a holiday meal basket for the entire family.
- 2000 West St, Homestead, PA 15120
- **Get connected: 412-326-0119**

- Batch A Toys: **November 7th – December 21st**

Rainbow Kitchen Holiday Program

- **412-464-1892**

Salvation Army – Steel Valley Worship & Service Center

- Seasonal services available
- **Get connected: 412-461-2460**
- <https://easternusa.salvationarmy.org/western-pennsylvania/steel-valley/>
- 104 East Ninth Street, Homestead PA

Sewickley – Quaker Valley School District

Union Aid Society

- Holiday programs, call for more information
- 601 Thorn Street, Municipal Building, 2nd floor, Sewickley PA 15143
- **Get connected: 412-741-9240**
- Holiday Program - The Union Aid Society provides eligible Quaker Valley School District families with gift cards for Holiday shopping. Throughout the course of the year, the non-profit also provides emergency aid.

Westmoreland County

Salvation Army – Greensburg

- Toy distribution and winter coats
- **Get connected: 724-834-3335**
- Services these areas: 15601, 15619, 15633, 15635, 15662, Greensburg, Hannastown, Bovard, Luxor, Forbes Road.

Salvation Army – Monessen

- Toys, winter coats, hygiene products for older kids, and holiday food distribution
- **Get connected: 724-684-4282**

Beaver County area

Trails Ministries

- Gifts to children of parents who are incarcerated
- 918 7th Ave, Beaver Falls PA 15010
- **Get connected: 724-891-7541**

Butler County

Lighthouse Holiday Programs

- Host a holiday Toy Shoppe for families to get toys (children 0 – 12) and gift cards for the family
- When? December 11th from 8am – 1pm
- Where? Bakerstown United Methodist Church
5760 William Flynn Hwy Gibsonia, PA 15044
- Get connected: 724-903-0041

Glade Run Church

- Help with toys
- **Get connected: 724-290-4595**

Toys for Tots Butler County

- Can request toys through November 30
- Ages 0 – 15 years
- **Sign up here:** <https://butler-pa.toysfortots.org/local-coordinator-sites/lco-sites/request-toys.aspx>

Washington County

LeMoyne Multi-Cultural Community Center

- Holiday programs for Washington County residents and surrounding counties
- 200 North Forrest Ave, Washington PA 15301
- **Get connected: 724-228-0260**

Salvation Army – Washington Worship and Service Center

- Winter outerwear for financially qualifying children.
- 60 E. Maiden St, Washington PA 15301
- **Get connected: 724-225-5740**

Washington Christian Outreach

- Gives toys for the holidays
- 119 Highland Ave, Washington PA 15301
- **Get connected: 724-222-0750**

Greene County area

LeMoyne Multi-Cultural Community Center

- Holiday programs for Washington County residents and surrounding counties
- 200 North Forrest Ave, Washington PA 15301
- **Get connected: 724-228-0260**

Indiana County

Indiana County Community Action Program

- Annual holiday gift program
- 635 Water St, Indiana PA 15701
- **Get connected: 724-465-2530**

Lawrence County

Catholic Charities of Lawrence County – Basic Needs Assistance

- Holiday toy and food assistance for households with children under 18
- 119 E. North St, New Castle PA 16101
- **Get connected: 724-658-5526**