



Adopt-A-Family Christmas Program Information Guide

Thank you for your willingness to support neighbors' in your community. Most groups or individuals find adopting a family very rewarding. We hope that your experience is a blessing for you and those you share with this Christmas. If by chance you do encounter a difficult situation or experience, please contact us, so we can help. Be assured you will be making a wonderful difference in someone's Christmas through your generosity. To help you we have provided answers to some commonly asked questions.

How do I register to adopt a family?

Starting November 13, you can register to adopt a family at CKOM.com. Upon completing your registration, you will be matched with a family(ies) and receive an email from adoptafamily@rawlco.com within three to five business days outlining details of your adoptees' information.

What should I provide?

When adopting a family, you should expect to provide food for a complete Christmas Dinner, some additional groceries for the holiday season (see details below) and toys for each child between the ages of 0 and 14.

We ask that all gifts for the children are within the range of \$30.00 to \$40.00 plus a smaller gift for their stocking for a maximum of \$50/ child. If you wish to do more than outlined in these guidelines, please try not to overdo it (if you would like to do something extra we suggest a family game or pajamas). We aim for all families to receive a comparable amount. If you have more money than is needed to provide a great Christmas for one family, please consider either adopting a second family, or putting your resources toward the local Sally Ann Toy Shop appeal.

What should the food hamper contain?

We have included a suggested hamper contents list, quantities will vary based on family size. All food must be in the original package and not past its best before date. Because many of our clients come from a variety of cultures and ethnicities another option is to provide a gift card for a grocery store so that the family could purchase the type of foods they enjoy.

Cost Guide

Family Size		Cost of Food	Gifts	Total
1 or 2 parents	1 child	\$75 - \$100	\$40-50	\$115 - \$150
1 or 2 parents	2 children	\$100 - \$125	\$80-100	\$180 - \$225
1 or 2 parents	3 children	\$100 - \$150	\$120- \$150	\$220 - \$300
1 or 2 parents	4 children	\$125 -150	\$160-\$200	\$285 - \$350
1 or 2 parents	5 children	\$150 - 175	\$200-\$250	\$350 - \$425
1 or 2 parents	6 children	\$150 - 200	\$240- \$300	\$390 - \$500

Suggested Food Items

Turkey or Ham	Pancake Mix	Cookies
Potatoes	Syrup	Rice
Carrots	Eggs	Canned Soup
Oranges or Apples	Milk	Jam
Boxed stuffing	Margarine	Bread
Cranberry Sauce	Pasta	
Gravy mix or can	Pasta sauce	
Dessert	Canned fruit / veggies	
Juice	Canned beans / meat	

How do I know what to buy for the children?

In your family information you should find a list of the children in the family, along with ages, clothing sizes, and interests, this list is provided to give some direction when purchasing the gifts. Toys must be new, in the original packaging, and age appropriate. You may wish to include wrapping paper, but we would discourage wrapping the gifts so that parents can see what they will be giving their children.

What do I get for a teenager?

Gift cards are a great option. Stop by a music store, book store, sports store, or movie theatre and purchase a \$40.00 gift card that would be appropriate. And personal care items like body wash, sprays, socks and underwear make great stocking stuffers.

What is the best way to coordinate delivery?

When you are planning for delivery of the hamper please contact your family ahead to arrange an appropriate time. We do ask that you have the applicant sign the enclosed hamper receipt acknowledgement, showing they have received their hamper, this should be kept until after Christmas. Please do not leave the hamper on the porch or with a neighbor. If by chance the family is not home at your arranged time and you cannot return later, please contact us to make alternate arrangements 306-477-2363. Please ensure that all hampers are delivered no sooner than **December 17, 2018** and no later than **December 20, 2018**.

Confidentiality?

You are welcome to contact the family to arrange delivery, we do encourage that you remain anonymous using first names only and that you do not make contact for other reasons. If you would like to keep your number confidential for anonymity, you can use *67 to block your number from call display, this prevents the chance of the family contacting you later. We also ask that you are sensitive to the family's privacy, as such we ask that you keep their personal information confidential (on a need to know basis) we also ask that you do not take photos or post to social media any distinguishing information.

How to be adopted

Please contact The Salvation Army
339 Avenue C South
Saskatoon, SK S7M 1N5

306-477-2363

How can I donate?

Donations are always welcome and greatly appreciated for the Adopt a Family program. We have made arrangements with the Saskatoon Community Foundation to issue tax receipts for monetary donations. Financial donations help us provide gift cards in special circumstances to people who may have extreme allergies or medical conditions which can make it difficult for them to be adopted. Gift cards are also supplied after the December 20th delivery date to ensure no one goes hungry at Christmas, as there are often unforeseen circumstances that arise after our cut off period.

Donations can be made online at CKOM.com. You can also donate by sending a cheque payable to Saskatoon Community Foundation, and mailed to:

650 CKOM Adopt a Family
715 Saskatchewan Crescent West
Saskatoon, SK S7M 5V7.

Any questions or concerns please contact our adopt a family coordinator at: (306) 477-2363 or Email: adoptafamily@salvationarmysaskatoon.org.

For enquiries regarding your registration to adopt a family, please contact adoptafamily@rawlco.com.

Thank you for your interest in this very popular program. We at 650 CKOM and The Salvation Army wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas.

God Bless,

Captain Laurie Sauder
Corps Officer / Community Ministries Director
The Salvation Army Saskatoon

Heather Bonyngé
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**We Wish You A Merry Christmas and A Happy New
Year!**