



Village of Mount Prospect **Press Release**



Village of Mount Prospect Accepting “Toys for Kids” Program Donations

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Mount Prospect, IL – Many Mount Prospect families can use a helping hand at this time of year to provide their children with a memorable holiday experience. By donating toys or gift cards to the Mount Prospect Toys for Kids program, you can do just that. The 29th annual Toys for Kids program offers residents and businesses an opportunity to make the holidays brighter for hundreds of local children up to age 17. Last year alone, the program assisted approximately 100 families in Mount Prospect.

Mount Prospect Human Services Director Julie Kane discussed the vital need for such community programs that support families in need. “Each year the Mount Prospect Fire Department and Human Services Department work together to make the holiday season special for families who face financial hardships. This event provides families with needed resources and an opportunity to attend a festive holiday party where kids get to participate in activities, enjoy treats, and visit Santa. This event brings so much joy to the children, their parents, and Village team members. We are grateful for the donations we receive from so many thoughtful and generous community members that make this event possible,” said Kane.

Residents or businesses that would like to donate can drop off new, unwrapped toys at Village Hall or any of the four Mount Prospect fire stations from November 3 - December 12. Older children aged 13 and above can be especially hard to buy for. Some great suggestions for kids 13-17 are gift cards, hoodies, hats and gloves, skateboards, lotion and body wash sets, backpacks/duffle bags, sports-themed gifts, or jewelry and hair accessories.

According to Fire Chief Tom Wang, “Santa is calling for some Mutual Aid and needs our help. Grab a toy and bring some joy for all the children to enjoy!”

Donations can be dropped off at:

- Village Hall – 50 S. Emerson Street
- Fire Station 11 - 1415 E. Algonquin Road
- Fire Station 12 – 1601 W. Golf Road
- Fire Station 13 – 111 E. Rand Road (vestibule off Rand Road)
- Fire Station 14 – 2000 E. Kensington Road

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