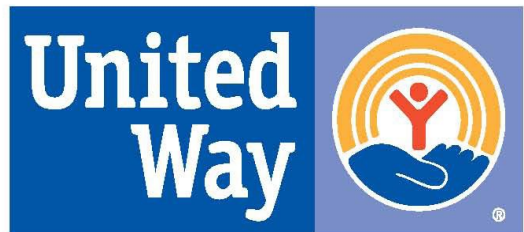


# Gift of Giving



**United Way of  
Fort Smith Area**



*Create memories with your loved ones this holiday season.  
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Dear Volunteers and Donors,

As we all prepare for a wonderful holiday season with our friends and families, there are many in our community that are in need. Our partner agencies work diligently day in and day out to help so many in the areas of health, education, and financial stability. You may be one of the many people that are looking for additional ways to help and simply don't know where to begin. If you are looking for ways to contribute by volunteering your time or making a donation, the 2018 Holiday Giving Guide will make it easier for you to help others while GIVING LOCALLY. Within the 2018 Holiday Giving Guide, activities and needs are arranged alphabetically by agency name. Each specific need is clearly identified. When you find an opportunity that interests you, simply call the agency to find out more information. Opportunities fill up quickly so be sure and call as soon as you can when you find an area of need that interests you. This is the twelfth year of the publication of the Holiday Giving Guide, and we hope you will share it with your friends, co-workers, neighbors, church members, and family members, encouraging them to get involved. Thank you for your generosity of time and resources to help make our community the most caring place to live, and thank you for choosing to GIVE LOCAL.

Yours in Service,



Eddie Lee Herndon, President  
United Way of Fort Smith Area

**The 2018 Holiday Giving Guide is brought to you by the United Way staff**

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#### **Tips for using the 2018 Holiday Giving Guide**

- Use the index on page 3 to quickly find categories of an agency's wish list and volunteer needs.
- Form a group of friends or co-workers to "adopt" a family or an individual.
- Take up a collection to purchase gift certificates or vouchers.
- Start a collection drive at your place of employment for co-workers and/or customers. List items needed or items to be collected.
- Look for a volunteer opportunity for the whole family, like sorting or delivering food baskets.

If you want to share the **2018 Holiday Giving Guide** with others, you may copy any portion of it.

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**Abilities Unlimited, Inc.**

3305 Kibler Road, Van Buren, AR 72956

479-471-5354, bloyd@auivb.org

Contact: William Loyd, Executive Director

*Mission: To help individuals recognize their abilities, improve their quality of life and become productive members of their community.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Tables and chairs for Day Program break room and training rooms, new phone system, and new parking lot for Kibler Road.

**The Arc for the River Valley**

7821 Texas Road, Fort Smith, AR 72908

479-783-5529, arcrivervalley@gmail.com

Contact: Micayla Cole, Executive Director

*Mission: Provides advocacy, education, and recreation for those living with intellectual, physical, and developmental disabilities.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Bottled drinks and water, individually wrapped snacks, popcorn kernels, oil and popcorn salt, art supplies, liquid hand soap, office supplies, self-sealing 9x6 manila envelopes, ink cartridges for printers, copy paper, Swiffer jet liquid refills, trash bags, paper towels, disposable plates, bowls, flatware and napkins. Women gifts: jewelry, scarfs, wallets, perfume, shower gels/lotions, socks, purses, hats and gloves, hand towel sets, makeup. Men gifts: wallets, socks, ball caps, hats and gloves, flashlights, fleece blankets.

**Volunteer Needs**– Help serve food at the Christmas party on December 15 from 5:00-8:00PM at Cavanaugh Senior Center.

**Arkansas Single Parent Scholarship Fund Region 8**

5401 Rogers Avenue, Suite 204, Fort Smith, AR 72903

479-927-1402 ext 11 rhill@aspsf.org

Contact: Ruthanne Hill, Executive Director

*Mission: To provide supplemental financial assistance to those single parents who are pursuing a post secondary course of instruction that will improve their income-earning potential.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Financial support to provide scholarships for full time and part time students, job preparation workshops, gas cards, and dinner for recipient/alumni meetings.

**Volunteer Needs**– Scholarship selection, program, fundraising committees, and Christmas help with mailouts, data entry, and miscellaneous admin duties.

**Boy Scouts (Westark Area Council)**

1401 Old Greenwood Road, Fort Smith, AR 72901

479-782-7244, Christian.swaim@scouting.org, www.westarkbsa.org

Contact: Christian Swaim, Assistant Scout Executive

*Mission: To prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Sponsorships: one scout for one year, day of scouting, scout uniform, and camperships.

**Volunteer Needs**– Merit badge counselors.

**The Boys Shelter**

5904 Zero St, Fort Smith, AR 72903

479-646-2819, boyshelter@cox.net, www.fortsmithboysshelter.org

Contact: Eddie Donovan

*Mission: To enhance the quality of life for our children and young adults who are displaced from their families, or who are involved in the foster care system.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Mini van or SUV for local appointments, cleaning supplies, 55 gallon trash bags, paper towels, laundry detergent, weed eater and leaf blower.

**Boys & Girls Club of the Alma Area**

410 East Main Street, PO BOX 1689, Alma, AR 72921  
479-632-2070, elainabgca@gmail.com

Contact: Elaine Damante, Executive Director

*Mission: To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Couches, comfortable chairs, giant games, cornhole, airsoft table, Xbox controllers and games, baby dolls, DVDs (G or PG), board games, gaming consoles, balls and hula hoops.

**Boys & Girls Club of LeFlore County**

305 Clayton Ave. Poteau, OK 74953  
918-647-7136, ceobgclc@gmail.com

Contact: Arielle Perry, Director

*Mission: To enable young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Sports equipment( basketballs, footballs, soccer and dodge balls), hula hoops, construction and art paper, copy paper, crayons, markers, air hockey table, vacuum cleaner, cleaning supplies, coach, craft supplies (pipe cleaners, paper plates and cups, paper towels, paint brushes, etc).

**Volunteer Needs**– Volunteers to help with tutoring/homework.

**Boys & Girls Club of Paris**

717 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street, PO BOX 227, Paris, AR 72855  
479-963-3577 bperry@parisbgc.org

Contact: Betty Perry, Unit Director

*Mission: To inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Four large benches for basketball court seating, new board games and card games, art and craft supplies, flags for capture the flag game, florescent bulb replacements, flower bed wood replacement, bookshelf, trailer for moving large items and haul children for Christmas float and hay rides.

**Volunteer Needs**- After school activities including craft projects with the kids, tutoring, mentoring, and supervision of activities.

**Boys & Girls Club of Sequoyah County**

111 N. Elm Street, Unit C, PO BOX 1028, Sallisaw, OK 74955  
918-775-4659, bgcseq@msn.com

Contact: Noreen Reininger, Chief Professional Officer

*Mission: To enable young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Giant floor puzzles, puzzles for 4-9 years, big foam dice sets, multicolor cones, bean bags, foam balls and Frisbees, pool noodles, storage tubs.

**Boys & Girls Club of South Logan County**

751 N. Kennedy Avenue, PO BOX 545, Booneville, AR 72927  
479-675-2764, rick.bgclsc@centurylink.net

Contact: Rick Scott, Executive Director

*Mission: To enable young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Bass guitar and amp, commercial microwave oven, portable P.A. system, electronics, STEM and craft hobby kits, large finish mower, metal building for soccer field concessions, art supplies, folding tables and chairs for art room, card and board games, water fountain, Led flat screen for gaming, gaming systems, video surveillance system.

**Volunteer Needs**- Art, photography, music, STEM, and teen tutoring programs and career education.

**Boys & Girls Club of Van Buren**

1403 City Park Road, PO Box 443, Van Buren, AR 72956  
479-474-9401, cfaldon@cox.net, www.bgcofvb.org

Contact: Cindy Faldon, CPO

*Mission: To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens.*

**Holiday Wish List**– 6 foot table and chairs, school supplies, cleaning supplies, items for Club Buck Store, and board games/puzzles.

**Volunteer Needs**– Help needed to serve evening meals and snacks to afterschool participants.

**The CALL- Crawford & Sebastian**

5521 Ellsworth Rd, Fort Smith, AR 72903  
479-221-7134 crawfordsebastian@thecallinarkansas.org  
Contact: Tiffaney Wear, Family Support Coordinator

*Mission: To educate, equip and encourage the Christian community to provide a future and a hope for children in foster care in Arkansas.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Paper towels, toilet paper, and/or napkins, dish soap, dishwasher detergent, laundry soap, cleaning wipes (Lysol or Clorox), canned goods, individually packaged snack foods, mac n cheese boxes, etc. to fill Blessing Baskets for new foster and adoptive families, Walmart gift cards, gas cards, or restaurant gift cards for families.

**CASA of Sebastian County**

1216 Towson Avenue, Fort Smith, AR 72901  
479-782-4171 sebastiancasa@yahoo.com, casaofsebastiancounty-org.doodlekit.com/  
Contact: Mary Ann Craig, Executive Director

*Mission: To speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children who are involved in the juvenile courts.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Donations to CASA of Sebastian County program for new volunteer training so more kids in Sebastian County foster care can have a CASA volunteer to speak for them in the juvenile court system.

**Children's Emergency Shelter**

3015 South 14th Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901  
479-783-0018, Jack@fscs.org, Ashley@fscs.org  
Contact: Jack Moffett, Executive Director, Ashley Fitzhugh

*Mission: We are a temporary emergency shelter that houses children (ages 6-17) who have been removed from the custody of their guardian(s) by child welfare authorities.*

**Holiday Wish List**– PS4 and Xbox 360 games for preteen and teenagers, trendy apparel for preteens and teenagers, socks, winter gloves, hat, beanies and hoodies, coats for children ages 10-17, make-up kits, fuzzy blankets, purses, wallets, watches, jewelry, ipods, earbuds or wireless headphones, diaries/journals, twin size bedding, gift cards to mall, clothing stores, Walmart, target, and restaurants.

**Volunteer Needs**- Organizing fund raising functions, group facility and grounds projects.

**Community Dental Clinic**

3428 Armour St, PO BOX 180070, Fort Smith, AR 72914  
479-782-6021, lwoodard@cscdcca.org  
Contact: Lisa Woodard, Director

*Mission: To give our community confidence to Smile again by providing quality volunteer dental care to families with no to low income.*

**Holiday Wish List**– 4ft fence with gate around front entrance, 2 iPads for dentists, digital wrist cuff for blood pressure, magazine subscriptions for waiting room, Fixodent or Polident, denture boxes, and bus passes.

**Volunteer Needs**– Organizing a fundraiser, providing financial support for fillings and basic dental needs, and basic office cleaning.

**Community Services Clearinghouse**

4420 Wheeler Avenue, PO BOX 1522, Fort Smith, AR 72902  
479-782-5074, [chuck.goux@csclearinghouse.org](mailto:chuck.goux@csclearinghouse.org), [www.csclearinghouse.org](http://www.csclearinghouse.org)

Contact: Chuck Goux, Executive Director

*Mission: Offers assistance to low income families, working families facing emergency situations, the elderly, the disabled, and children in need.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Thanksgiving sponsorships \$25 (holiday food box) and Christmas sponsorship's \$50 (gifts for kids or elderly).

**Volunteer Needs**– Youth groups to sing Christmas Carols during the family distribution day and Christmas wrapping. Call Tami at 479-782-5074 for details on holiday programs.

**Comprehensive Juvenile Services, Inc.**

1606 South "J" Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901  
479-785-4031, [Justice@ipa.net](mailto:Justice@ipa.net), [www.cjsinc.org](http://www.cjsinc.org)

Contact: Janice Justice, Executive Director

*Mission: Redirecting the lives of youth and families of Western Arkansas.*

**Holiday Wish List**- Sweat pants, shirts, socks, and underwear for teens, toiletries, art supplies, board games, Wii games for teens, school supplies, gift cards, tickets for cultural events, recreational equipment, and twin size mattresses.

**Volunteer Needs**- Adult mentors to volunteer to spend a few hours a week with teenage youth.

**Crawford County Senior Citizens Center**

18 Lafayette St, Van Buren, AR 72956  
479-632-3535, [almaseniorcenter@hotmail.com](mailto:almaseniorcenter@hotmail.com)

Contact: Elaine Hankins

*Mission: Redirecting the lives of youth and families of Western Arkansas.*

**Holiday Wish List**– A new vehicle at the Van Buren Senior Center to deliver homebound meals.

**Volunteer Needs**– Volunteers at the Alma, Cedarville, Mountainburg, Mulberry, and Van Buren Senior Centers from 8AM-1PM.

**Crisis Intervention Center**

5603 South 14th St, Fort Smith, AR 72901  
479-782-1821, [penni@fscic.org](mailto:penni@fscic.org), [www.FSCIC.org](http://www.FSCIC.org)

Contact: Penni Burns, CEO

*Mission: End domestic violence and sexual assault through services, education, and prevention programs which empower men, women and their children to live free of fear and harm within their own families and community.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Walmart gift cards, family board and card games, adult word search/crossword puzzle books, puzzles, bath towels, sheets, blankets, pillows, disinfectant wipes/spray, paper products (towels, tissue, plates) and vacuum.

**Volunteer Needs**– Mentors, people to play games in the evenings and on weekends, advocates.

**Dolly Parton's Imagination Library**

320 South 18<sup>th</sup> Street, PO BOX 2300, Fort Smith, AR 72902  
479-782-1311, [cterry@unitedwayfortsmith.org](mailto:cterry@unitedwayfortsmith.org)

Contact: Carrie Terry, Imagination Library Coordinator

*Mission: A program of the United Way of Fort Smith Area, Inc. that works to ensure children enter kindergarten ready to learn by building their own library.*

**Holiday Wish List** - Gifts in honor or memory of an individual (\$25 to sponsor one child per year, \$125 to sponsor a child from birth to their fifth birthday).

**Donald W. Reynolds Cancer Support House**

3324 S M St, Fort Smith, AR 72903

479-782-6302, Amy@Reynoldscancersupporhouse.org

Contact: Amy Willadsen, Outreach Coordinator

*Mission: We provide local cancer patients access to emotional support groups, items for hair loss from cancer treatment, financial assistance and transportation assistance.*

**Holiday Wish List-** \$10 or \$15 gift cards (Walmart, Target, movie theaters, fast food restaurants), frozen turkeys or hams, non-perishable food items, and nutrition drinks (Boost, Ensure, Carnation), toiletries, cleaning supplies, gift wrap, tape, gift bags, tissue paper, and gift tags.

**Volunteer Needs-** December 11-December 20 to help shop, wrap gifts, sort food, and distribute gifts.

**Fort Smith Boys & Girls Club** (Stephens, Jeffery, Goldtrap-Gardner, Evans)

4905 North "O" Street, Fort Smith, AR 72904

479-782-7093, JGlidewell@FSBGC.org, website:www.fsbgc.org

Contact: Jerry Glidewell, Executive Director

*Mission: Serving close to 4,000 area young people (ages 6-18), by helping members develop qualities needed to become responsible citizens and leaders.*

**Locations:** Goldtrap Unit-8800 S. Dallas Fort Smith, AR 72903 479-452-4779

Jeffrey Unit-4905 North O Street Fort Smith, AR 72904 479-782-8016

Evans Unit-6015 Boys Club Lane Fort Smith, AR 72908 479-646-9519

Stephens Unit-3101 N. 6th Street Fort Smith, AR 72904 479-782-6392

**Holiday Wish List-** Toys, pool table, foosball table, video games, DVD movies (G or PG), sponsorship for free club membership and activity fee, riding lawn mower.

**Volunteer Needs-** Mentors for our STAND WITH U mentoring program, coaches for sports (baseball, football, basketball, soccer, cheer)

**Fort Smith Public Schools Families in Transition Program**

811 North "T" Street, Fort Smith AR, 72904

479-784-8182 ext. 3529, jcarroll@fortsmithschools.org

Contact: Jeanne Carroll, Families in Transition Liaison

*Mission: Provides educational support for students experiencing homelessness.*

**Holiday Wish List-** Backpacks, school supplies, hygiene products, educational games, and journals.

**Volunteer Needs-** Assist in distributing holiday gifts, assemble backpacks, and assemble Parent Information Handbooks.

**Fort Smith Public Schools Parents as Teachers Program**

811 North "T" Street, Fort Smith AR, 72904

479-784-8182, sbiggs@fortsmithschools.org

Contact: Sarah Biggs, Supervisor of Early Childhood Education, Parent and Community Services

*Mission: Provides education and support to parents of preschool children, prenatal to kindergarten entry, for school readiness and positive parenting skills.*

**Holiday Wish List-** Diapers, baby wipes, hygiene products, children books, educational games.

**Fountain of Youth Adult Day Center**

2801 McKinley Avenue, Fort Smith, AR 72908

479-484-7782, executivedirector@foyadc.org

Contact: Trish Jennings, Executive Director

*Mission: To provide quality care to dependent adults ages 18 and older.*

**Holiday Wish List-** 2 Insta-pots, baby wipes, Clorox wipes, watercolor paints, Wii games, \*.5x10 canvases, craft paints, paintbrushes, cotton balls, kitchen cookware, office supplies, paper products.

**Volunteer Needs-** Any and all, artists, musicians.



**Gateway Recovery Center**

3900 Armour Avenue, Fort Smith, AR 72904

479-783-8849, lfox@recoveryhhi.org

Contact: Leshia Fox, Program Operations Director

*Mission: To provide the highest quality drug and alcohol treatment and prevention services to the residents of our community.*

**Holiday Wish List**– reading books, coloring books, colored pencils, blankets, sheets, pillows, feminine hygiene products, toothbrushes/toothpaste, towels, wash clothes, underwear/bras, socks, sweats, t-shirts, diapers/wipes, sippy cups, board games, toys for playroom.

**Volunteer Needs**- Yard work and paint outside of the building.

**Girl Scouts - Diamonds of Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas**

5705 Gordon Lane, Fort Smith, AR 72903

479-452-1290, funddevelopment@girlscoutsdiamonds.org, www.girlscoutsdiamonds.org

Contact: Kate Lonberger

*Mission: Build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.*

**Holiday Wish List**– 3-D printer, computer to run 3-D printer, large foam pad archery targets, golf cart, craft supplies, folding chairs, backpacking packs, soaker hoses, wheeled crates, and shop tools.

**Volunteer Needs**- Adult volunteers for troops, events, and programs.

**Girls Inc. of Fort Smith**

1415 Old Greenwood Road, Fort Smith, AR 72901

479-782-0622, adaniels@girlsincfortsmith.org

Contact: Amanda Daniels, Executive Director

*Mission: Girls Inc. inspires all young women to be strong, smart and bold.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Privacy fence, office supplies, cleaning supplies, cooking supplies/utensils, arts/crafts supplies, children's books, basketballs and volleyballs, new van, new concession garage door, updated movies/video games, lawn mower, and weed eater.

**Girls Shelter of Fort Smith, Inc.**

2600 Raleigh, Fort Smith, AR 72901

479-646-0444, marydale@girlsshelterfs.org

Contact: Mary Dale Colvett, Executive Director

*Mission: Long term residential care in a homelike setting for girls 13-17 with the goal of reuniting with family.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Mini van, 12 passenger van, 2 flat screen TVs, tickets to area events/movies/trampoline park, new game console, movies (G, PG, PG13), bath towels, tankless hot water heaters, 9 patio chairs, and leaf blower.

**Volunteer Needs**- Help with fundraising events.

**Good Samaritan Clinic**

615 North B Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901

479-783-0233, patti@goodsamaritanclinic.net

Contact: Patti Kimbrough, Executive Director

*Mission: To provide quality, compassionate medical care to our neighbors in need, who otherwise have no access to healthcare.*

**Holiday Wish List**– hygiene supplies (shampoo, conditioner, soap, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes), laundry detergent, Clorox wipes, white socks, copy paper, Office Depot gift card for printer ink.

**Volunteer Needs**– Appointment/Volunteer scheduler, social media intern, special events volunteers, cleaning and yard work.

**Habitat for Humanity**

421 Towson Avenue, PO Box 754, Fort Smith, AR 72901

479-782-8255, volunteer@habitatfs.org

Contact: Jaime Hebert, Volunteer Coordinator

*Mission: Eliminate poverty housing.*

**Volunteer Needs-** Work at the Annual Gift Wrap Center at the Habitat ReStore. Volunteers are needed to wrap Christmas gifts during the month of December. Contact for more information or to sign up.

**Hamilton House Child Safety Center**

2713 South 74th, Fort Smith, AR 72903

479-783-1002, director@hhsafetycenter.org

Contact: Jackie Hamilton, Executive Director

*Mission: Provide direct, comprehensive services to child abuse victim and their non-offending family members in a seven-county area.*

**Holiday Wish List-** Small items for good bags (toothbrushes, toothpaste, travel size toiletries, bubbles, matchbook cars, silyl bands, beads, balls, magnets, pencil toppers), card games, crayons, colored pencils, pencils, pens, coloring/activity books, notebooks/journals, backpacks, tote bags.

**Hamilton House Community Resource Center**

2705 B Oak Lane, Van Buren, AR 72956

479-471-5980 Ext. 2123, Kimberly@hhsafetycenter.org

Contact: Kim Whorton, Resource Coordinator

*Mission: Provides resource information, referrals and direct services to individuals and families.*

**Holiday Wish List-** Gas cards and gift cards (\$10 or \$20 to assist families with gas, groceries or utility bills), notebooks, journals, pens, pencils, and pocket folders.

**Harbor House, Inc.**

615 North 19<sup>th</sup> Street, PO BOX 4207, Fort Smith, AR 72914

479-785-4083, jwooding@recoveryhhi.org

Contact: Jimmie Wooding, Executive Director

*Mission: To provide the highest quality drug and alcohol treatment and prevention services to the residents of our community.*

**Holiday Wish List-** Dishes, utensils, pots and pans, underwear for men and women, socks and shoes, washers and dryers, vacuum cleaners, pool table, ping pong table, transport van, and commercial walk-in cooler or freezer.

**HOPE Campus**

301 South E Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901

479-668-4764, development@riverviewhopecampus.org

Contact: Stephanie Wormke

*Mission: To provide comprehensive services to impoverished individuals and families in the River Valley to help transform lives and to strengthen the community.*

**Holiday Wish List-** Projector, smartboard, twin sheets and blankets, socks, razors, shaving cream, cotton swabs, towels, toothbrushes, cups, silverware, foot powder, #10 canned goods (vegetables, baked beans, spaghetti sauce, etc), office supplies, art supplies, copy paper, trash bags (13 and 34 gallon).

**Volunteer Opportunities-** Serving meals, working the front desk, teaching classes/groups.

**Heart to Heart Pregnancy Support Center**

417 South 16th, Fort Smith, AR 72901  
479-452-2260, H2H.Admin@cox-internet.com  
Contact: Candice Irving-Caputo, Center Director

*Mission: Helping young girls, women, men and families who are expecting an unplanned pregnancy. Offer free pregnancy tests, "Earn While You Learn" parenting classes, baby supply closet, "Baby & Me Boutique" maternity closet, adoption referrals, peer-counseling, family reunification classes, and our "True Choices" Community Outreach Program.*

**Holiday Wish List-** Diapers/pull-ups -all sizes (especially sizes 3, 4 and 5), baby and toddler clothes, baby socks, baby wash products, baby formula and food, bibs, larger blankets, crib sheets, winter hats, and gloves, 5 large locking file cabinets. Maternity clothing and new baby items for "Mommy Boutique". New toys for our "Adopt a Family" clients.

**Volunteer Needs-** Atrium up keep, client advocates, 24/7 dad mentor, breast feeding advocates, certified car seat techs to instruct our clients during our classes, diaper drive/sippy cup and sock drive organizers, partnerships with local businesses for "Tiney Hiney" diaper drives for our babies.

**Lincoln Childcare Center**

1415 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901  
479-782-4997, lincolnchild2@aol.com  
Contact: Jennifer Rudder, Executive Director

*Mission: To offer affordable childcare in a loving , safe, and healthy environment.*

**Holiday Wish List-** Children's books (cloth, board, plastic), wipes, wash cloths, pull-ups, bibs, arts/crafts supplies (paper, chalk, glue, paints, beads, markers, colored pencils, etc.), teething toys, size 3T-5T pants, boys and girls underwear, portable crib sheets, children's toys, playground toys, and Kleenex.

**Volunteer Opportunities-** Read to classrooms, weed the flower beds, shovel dirt and plant grass on the playground, and rock babies.

**Literacy Council of Western Arkansas**

300 S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, PO BOX 423, Fort Smith, AR 72902  
479-783-2665, helptoread@lcowa.com  
Contact: Heather Edwards, Director

*Mission: To enable adults to acquire and improve their basic reading, writing, and math skills which will enhance their self image in order to participate more fully in society..*

**Holiday Wish List-** Literacy themed gift baskets for students- \$20 buys a tutor resource book, \$25 buys a pack of 5 student books to learn math, \$25 buys a student book to learn computer skills, \$35 buys a student set of books for one student to learn to read, conference table seating for 15-20.

**Volunteer Needs-** Volunteers to help with newsletter, fundraisers, and tutoring students.

**New Start for Children & Families, Inc.**

4401 Kibler Rd, Van Buren, AR 72956  
479-430-3529, newstartfamilies@gmail.com, www.newstartforfamilies.com  
Contact: Laura Caldwell, Director

*Mission: Specializes in recreational and educational activities for the youth (ages 3 –18) of the Ozark Area.*

**Holiday Wish List-** Children's shampoo, conditioner, lice treatments, combs, brushes, child body wash, baby lotion and body wash, baby wipes, diapers all sizes, toothbrushes and toothpaste, men and women's deodorant, infant/children Tylenol, children's socks, underwear, and shoes, pots and pans, dishes, silverware, towels, washcloths, twin beds, mattresses, sheets, blankets, pillows, laundry soap and softener, toilet paper, paper towels, storage containers, baby food, canned food, easy quick meals.

**Volunteer Needs-** Volunteers to sort clothes, organize, and conduct activities.

**Next Step Homeless Services**

123 North 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901

479-782-5433, Sharon@thenextstepfs.org

Contact: Sharon Chapman, Executive Director

*Mission: Seeking solutions to homelessness through individual case management with direction toward self sufficiency.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Tents, sleeping bags, sterno, blankets, gloves, razors, flashlights, batteries, deodorant, toiletries, back packs, baby wipes, beef jerky, snacks, spices, canned foods, sugar, coffee and creamer, paper plates and cups.

**Volunteer Needs**– Preparing and serving lunch any weekday from 9:30-12:30. Schools or businesses have a glove drive for Christmas.

**Ozark Area Youth Organization**

720 North 29<sup>th</sup> Street, PO BOX 388, Ozark, AR 72949

479-209-7802 jerrod.burns@ozarkhillbillies.org

Contact: Jerrod Burns, Executive Director

*Mission: Specializes in recreational and educational activities for the youth (ages 3 –18) of the Ozark Area.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Youth craft materials, field maintenance equipment (rakes and shovels), backpacks, and books.

**Volunteer Needs**- A certified trainer to teach training class.

**Project Compassion, Inc.**

1205 South Albert Pike, Fort Smith, AR 72903

479-783-2273, director@projectcompassioninc.com

Contact: Marian Conrad, Executive Director

*Mission: A volunteer organization bringing joy, companionship and quality of life to nursing home residents.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Sweatshirts, sweatpants, nightgowns, pajama sets, lounge pants, t-shirts (color), house shoes (closed heel), lap quilts, large print Bibles, books, and crossword puzzles, puzzles with large pieces, large size playing cards, small personal Kleenex packages, cheerful note cards-blank inside, small hand lotions, blankets, iPod shuffles (new or working used), new head phones, cases of water, and copy paper, cotton fabric, zippers, large buttons for fidget blanket for Alzheimer residents.

**Volunteer Needs**– Volunteers to visit one on one with nursing home residents, help with activities, birthday and holiday parties, crafts, door decorations, worship services, call Bingo, play piano or other instruments, write cheerful notes to residents.

**Hearts of Gold:** Volunteers to help sort, pack and deliver gifts to the 26 facilities we serve. Visitors and families to make visits to nursing home and assisted living residents on Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Musicians to entertain residents during the holidays.

**River Valley Christian Life Corps**

318 N. Greenwood Ave, Fort Smith, AR 72902

479-353-7001, RiverValleyclc@gmail.com

Contact: Amanda Yates, Executive Director

*Mission: To encourage, equip and model life change in men & women.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Sofa, bathroom rugs, curtains, small dining table and chairs, truck heater repair, toiletry and laundry supplies, bus tickets, twin bed and mattress, and washer and dryer.

**Volunteer Needs**– New mentors and board members.

**River Valley Regional Food Bank**

1617 Zero St, PO BOX 180070 Fort Smith, AR 72914  
479-785-0582 tengel@cscdcca.org www.rvrfoodbank.org  
Contact: Tracy Engel, Director

*Mission: To alleviate hunger by distributing food to 189 nonprofit agencies who help individuals in need with more than 90,000 gifts of food each month.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Non-perishable food items, wall air-conditioning unit, projector, laminator, office supplies (copy paper, hanging folders), sponsorship of brochure printing, and gifts in honor or memory of an individual (\$25 to provide 175 meals: \$50 to provide 350 meals: \$100 to provide 700 meals).

**Volunteer Needs**– Development committee, warehouse food sorters, office help, warehouse cleaners. Go to [www.facebook.com/rvrfoodbank](http://www.facebook.com/rvrfoodbank) to find out more.

**The Salvation Army**

301 North 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Smith, AR 72901  
479-783-6145, jonathan.gainey@uss.salvationarmy.org  
Contact: Major Jonathan Gainey

*Mission: Preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet the human needs in his name without discrimination.*

**Volunteer Needs**– Bell ringers from November 14th through December 24th. Please consider ringing for a day or a shift of two hours. Call Susan at 479-285-0815 to get on the schedule. Every night of the year we need groups, families, churches, and individuals to provide, prepare, and serve a meal in our Red Shield Diner to the hungry in our community.

**Sebastian County Drug & Veterans Court**

901 South "B" Street Room 204, Fort Smith, AR 72901  
479-784-1507, btabor@co.sebastian.ar.us  
Contact: Becky Tabor, Coordinator

*Mission: To assist clients in their substance abuse rehabilitation process through court supervision.*

**Holiday Wish List**– New or used bicycles for men or women.

**Sebastian Retired Citizens Association, Inc**

2700 Cavanaugh Rd, PO Box 181030, Fort Smith, AR 72918  
479-648-9970, srca1@sebastian.kscoxmail.com  
Contact: Deanna Rice, Executive Director

**Holiday Wish List**– Automatic bingo machine, bingo cards, puzzles, cards, coffee, vehicle, and trailer.

**Volunteer Needs**– Individuals to deliver meals from 9:30AM-2:00PM and janitorial services from 8:00AM-3:00PM.

**South Sebastian County Boys & Girls Club**

38 Hester Cut Road, PO BOX 219, Greenwood, AR 72936  
479-996-6877, ksundebgc@cox-internet.com  
Contact: Kenny Sunde, Executive Director

*Mission: To provide youth services to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Books, board games, field equipment, folding tables, game room equipment, picnic tables, playground equipment, arts/crafts supplies, sporting equipment, computers/laptops, field bleachers, audio/visual equipment, children's toys, and school supplies.

**Stepping Stone School**

1036 Hwy 64, PO BOX 2389, Alma, AR 72921  
479-632-3813, [twilson@steppingstonearkansas.com](mailto:twilson@steppingstonearkansas.com)  
Contact: Toni Wilson, Executive Director

*Mission: Serve children and adults with developmental disabilities.*

**Holiday Wish List**– 5' x 7' carpets, books, dress up clothes, book shelves, arts/crafts supplies, baby dolls, stacking rings, magnetic toys/puzzles, short sleeve shirts, tricycles, socks, underwear, diapers/pull-ups, baby wipes, playdough, play dishes/food, hot wheels, child safe cars and trucks sprinklers, bubbles, sponge balls, playground balls, play sand, books, copy paper, and notebook paper, car seats, fork lift, MP3 players, color laser printer.

**Volunteer Needs**– Assist with answering phone and greeting visitors, February 11-14 help with Valentine fundraiser (assembling and delivering candy and balloon bouquets).

**United Way of Fort Smith Area**

320 South 18<sup>th</sup> Street, PO BOX 2300, Fort Smith, AR 72902  
479-782-1311, [elherndon@unitedwayfortsmith.org](mailto:elherndon@unitedwayfortsmith.org)  
Contact: Eddie Lee Herndon, President

*Mission: To improve lives by connecting people and resources in our six-county area.*

**Holiday Wish List**- Gifts in honor or memory of individuals to support the annual fundraising campaign or the endowment.

**We Care Foundation**

3324 South "M" Street, PO BOX 3431, Fort Smith, AR 72903  
479-782-8822, [wecarefoundationfs@gmail.com](mailto:wecarefoundationfs@gmail.com)  
Contact: Maureen Didion, Executive Director

*Mission: Provide non-medical support programs for children birth to age 21 with cancer and related blood forming diseases including, but not limited to, hemophilia and sickle cell anemia.*

**Holiday Wish List**– Gloves and hats sizes toddler to adult, Girls and boys underwear sizes toddler to adult medium, socks sizes toddler to adult, coloring books, crayons, Christmas gift bags sizes medium and large.

**Volunteer Needs**- Office help and special events help.

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