

Christmas Adopt-A-Family Program Donor Form



THANK YOU for considering adopting one of our families for Christmas. Each family that MFCAA pairs with a donor is making the ultimate commitment to our future by caring for the abused and neglected children of our community. Most of these families have opened every bed in their house in an effort to provide love and stability for their children, and that often creates a financial strain on the family. They greatly appreciate the generosity of people and organizations like you and yours, that help them provide a Merry Christmas for the children in their care.

Please read the following information before filling out the form. Sign up ONLINE at mfcaa.org.

- **PLEASE SIGN UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT NO LATER THAN NOV. 23.** If this is a problem, or this date has passed, please let us know and we will work with you to make other arrangements.
- **We request that each donor provide at least three gifts for each child,** but the number of items you provide is at your discretion.
- **Gift Drop offs will be scheduled during the first week of December.** It is important that gifts are dropped off on the scheduled days, as families will be scheduled for pick ups very soon after the scheduled drop-offs.
- **Angel Trees:** If your organization has enough people, or enough foot traffic, to support an angel tree, we can provide cards with children's names and Christmas requests for you to hang on a tree (with the intention that each child will be adopted by a person/family).
- We have asked that all gifts requested by our families be reasonably priced (\$30 or less). If you feel a requested item is too expensive, it is at your discretion to not purchase that gift.
- If you do not have the time or resources to purchase presents, you can sponsor children through monetary donations.
- If you are a family or small organization and only have the resources to adopt a couple of people, that's great, we do have a few families with 2-4 people (1 or 2 parents, and 1 to 3 kids).
- If you are a large organization with the resources to adopt large numbers of people, please indicate the total number you'd like to adopt (on the enclosed form). If needed, we will split that number up in order to cover multiple families. Most families are 5-6 people (one or two parents, and 4 or 5 kids), but we do have families of 10+ (and a few of 12+).
- We will deliver all items to all families. However, some donors prefer to deliver gifts to their family themselves. If you want to meet the family we need you to tell us that now (so we can make sure you are matched with a family that agrees to a delivery). If the family does not agree, you will not be able to deliver the gifts to them (there are some privacy issues with foster and adopted children that will not allow the family to meet the donor).
- We have a special need for donors who are willing to adopt teenagers. If you are willing to adopt teenagers, please make sure to check the No Preference box on the enclosed form, so that we can match you with that age group if necessary. If you specifically want ONLY teenagers, please check the "teenager" box (you can check more than one box, so you can adopt smaller children in addition to the teenagers).
- It is easiest for us to match donors with families if you do not choose a gender or age. However, you are able to request genders and ages for your families—we will do our best to match your children/family as closely as possible. However, in some cases it may be impossible to match your request exactly (ex: a 9-year old girl and a 4-year old boy... we may not have any families that match that description).
- You will be able to request children only, rather than an entire family, if you prefer that option. If you choose "Family" you will get one sheet that includes family Wants & Needs, in addition to the children's info (choosing a family does not mean that you will receive gifts request from a mom and a dad... the "Family Needs" is one sheet that includes requests such as "towels", "pots & pans", "board games", "cleaning supplies", and "toaster").
- Starting in October, you will be matched with a family as quickly as a family that closely matches your requests signs up. Your family's information will be mailed to you, along with drop-off dates and locations. Please feel free to call with questions (816-350-0215) or email shandra@mfcaa.org

MFCAA Info:

Phone—
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Please submit forms as early as possible, but no later than Nov. 23rd: **MFCAA/Christmas Program/3210 S Lee's Summit Rd/ Independence, MO 64055 (fax:816-350-0085)**. Drop off days will be scheduled during the first two weeks of Dec (dates will be provided in your family match letter). We will distribute gifts on Dec. 15, so we **MUST HAVE YOUR GIFTS BY FRI, DEC 11th!**

1. Company/Group Name: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Best Contact: Phone Email

Do you want to deliver your gifts to the family/children you adopt? Yes No

2. Where did you hear about MFCAA's Christmas Program?:

Participated Last Year MFCAA Newsletter From a Member (foster/adoptive parent)

Website/Internet Search Newspaper Other _____

3. Please check all that apply:

- I want to adopt a family/children for Christmas and will complete the Family Request section below.
- I'd like to have an Angel Tree at my organization, and would like to have _____ children on the tree.
- I will be holding a Drive to collect gifts. Please send a most-requested gifts list.

4. REQUEST INFO (please choose one: "Family" or "Children Only")

Adopt a Family - Many families greatly appreciate small household items such as laundry detergent and cleaning supplies, and some are in need of items such as bath towels and small kitchen appliances. If you would like to adopt a family, you will receive a list of "Family" needs and wants, like those listed above, as well as the children's needs and wants (it is your choice to provide as few or as many of the family needs and wants as you are comfortable purchasing).

of Children _____

If you list a large number of people, and we have multiple families that total that number, is it OK to give you more than one family? Yes No

Age of Children (choose as many as are applicable): No Preference Toddler (baby-4 yrs)

Youth (5-10 yrs) Preteen (11-13 yrs) Teen (14-18 yrs)

Gender of Children: No Preference M F

-OR-

Adopt Children Only -please choose this option if you do not wish to fulfill any family needs or wants

of Children _____

Age of Children (choose as many as are applicable): No Preference

Toddler (baby-4 yrs) Youth (5-10 yrs)

Preteen (11-13 yrs) Teen (14-18 yrs)

Gender of Children: No Preference M F

Donors: Notes/Special Requests

Office Use
Donor Number:
Family Number:
Info Sent: Gifts Received:

5. Please Choose One:

- I do not wish to participate if my request cannot be matched exactly.
- I am comfortable letting staff match me as closely as possible.