



Middletown Valley People Helping People

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Dear Friends,

As the temperatures drop and the sun sets earlier each day we find ourselves thinking about the upcoming holiday season. The volunteers from Middletown Valley People Helping People hope you will also take time to think about sponsoring needy children in our annual Holiday Assistance Adopt a Family program.

Last year, through your generosity and help from many others in our community we were able to provide toys, clothing, boots, shoes and gift cards to over 200 local children. This year in spite of COVID there are at least as many needy children out there but our distribution will look a little bit different. Instead of buying gifts and giving them to the parents we will be asking for donations of either gift cards, or money to purchase gift cards, and a family puzzle or game. Parents will receive their choice gift cards from Kohl's, WalMart, Target or Amazon for each child so that they can do the shopping either online or in person for presents for their children. Each family will also receive a gift card of their choice from Safeway, Weis, Giant Eagle or Wegman's to purchase some additional food items to make their holiday special. All families will get to select either a family puzzle or game. This way children and families will receive Holiday Assistance but it be as contactless as possible. These items will be distributed to parents on December 3rd. Donations may be dropped off at Middletown Town Hall during their regular business hours (weekdays from 8AM- 4PM), mailed prior to Nov. 22nd or given to us in person in front of Safeway on Sunday, November 22rd between 1-4 PM. To help please call or send an email to MVPHPM@gmail.com with the following information:

1. Your name or Group Name
2. Contact Person
3. Your preferred contact information (email, phone or address)
4. Size of family or number of children you might be interested in adopting

Also, please contact us if you have any questions regarding the program, or know of a family having a difficult time who might be able to use our help.

We would like to thank you for considering our request to partner with MVPHP again this year. Happy Holidays to all!

Donna Jean Brandenburg, Ann Keyfauver and Mary Straits,

Co-Chairpersons of the Holiday Adopt a Family Event