

104.1 WIKY Presents the 6th Annual



This information is intended for the ***Coordinator's Office volunteers, Vincentians, and Ireland Home Based Services employees.*** **PLEASE DO NOT PROVIDE THIS FORM TO FAMILIES** participating in the Ton of Toys program. Information designated for participating families is mailed or emailed (if applicable) to the family.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Evansville District Council is partnering with WIKY 104.1 FM on the 6th annual Ton of Toys program to help provide toys and gifts for the children of families in need.

Who is eligible to participate?

- Only children ***under the age of eighteen*** may be referred for participation.
- Families must reside in ***Gibson, Posey, Vanderburgh, or Warrick County.***
- ***Families may not be registered with any other Christmas toy giveaway program.***
- ***Referral Forms must be submitted by Thursday, December 14.***

Where and when can Toys be donated?

Lucas Oil Centers (N. Green River Road and W. Lloyd Expressway)

Any of the eight Evansville and Newburgh Donut Bank locations

Center for Pediatric Therapy (4900 Shamrock Drive, Evansville)

Evansville Eyemart Express (N. Burkhardt Rd. between Vogel Rd. and Oak Grove Rd.)

The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, 767 E. Walnut St., Evansville

New, unwrapped toys may be brought to any of these locations during their regular business hours beginning Monday, November 20. The last day for donating at all locations is Thursday, December 14.

Where and when is shopping for those who register?

- The Diocese of Evansville Catholic Center, 4200 N. Kentucky Ave. Entrance on west (back) side of building.
- Shopping Dates and Times:
Tuesday, December 19. 10:00 – 7:00
Wednesday, December 20. 10:00 – 7:00
- Toys are available on a first come, first-serve basis.
- Diocese of Evansville Catholic Center, 4200 N. Kentucky Ave. Entrance on west (back) side of building.

- **No Walk-ins will be served. All shoppers must be registered by December 14.**
- ***Any exceptions for those unable to shop during these days and times must request accommodation to the SVdP conference or Ireland Home Based Services that submitted the voucher. Gift deliveries will not be provided by District Council personnel.***

What is required of the parent/guardian?

- Parent/Guardian must provide photo ID that matches the name of requestor on the voucher form.
- Parent/Guardian must provide some form of ID of each child as listed on the voucher form.

What kinds of items do children receive from the Ton of Toys program?

Each child can receive (subject to availability):

- Age-appropriate toy
- Age-appropriate stocking stuffers
- Family game
- Puzzle
- Winter hat and gloves

Is the parent/guardian required to pay anything for the toys?

No, but they will be offered an opportunity to “pay it forward” by donating to help St. Vincent de Paul assist with the rent or utility bill for a neighbor in need.

How does one request participation in the Ton of Toys program?

Families need to be referred either by a member of a St. Vincent de Paul conference, a volunteer at the St. Vincent de Paul Coordinator’s Office, or by a staff member at Ireland Home Based Services. A voucher must be completed by any of these parties (Vincentian, Coordinator’s Office Volunteer, Ireland employee).

- Complete the voucher form online at svdpevansville.org/tot-voucher-registration
- Username is “vincentian”. Password is “SVdPevv”. (The password is case-sensitive).
- ***Or*** scan the completed hand-written voucher form and email to: tonoftoys@svdpevansville.org.
Referrals need to be submitted no later than Thursday, December 14.

What information is sent to the family?

- A copy of the completed voucher form
- Information for shopping days and shopping requirements (copy of voucher, identification)
- Reminder of program eligibility requirements
- Directions and transportation information to the Catholic Center
- Shopping days – what to expect

Whom do I call if I have questions?

- Joe Cook, Donna Hurm or Noah Werner (812) 602-5182