

ADOPT-A-FAMILY

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October 2018

Dear Adopt-a-Family Recipient,

Plans are being made for the 2018 Adopt-a-Family holiday program, which provides holiday food baskets and gifts for qualified Reading families and their dependent children.

The Thanksgiving and Christmas/Holiday Food Baskets have the ingredients to prepare a holiday dinner, including a frozen turkey or equivalent supermarket gift card.

The Christmas/Holiday Gifts will be chosen from each child's Wish List. Attempts will be made to fulfill your child's wishes, so please be specific. The expense per child should be \$100 or less, so please keep this in mind as you create your wish list(s).

If you wish to participate in the program this year, please complete the Recipient Participation Form and the Wish List (if applicable) for children 18 and younger. If you have a dependent child over 18 years of age whom you like considered for the program, please briefly explain the reason. You must also provide proof of the type of assistance you receive. Return everything in the self-addressed envelope no later than **October 31, 2018**. We don't want to leave anyone out, but we need to give the donors enough time to prepare their baskets. Please do not delay!

<u>If you do not need the program this year</u>, or are already receiving food and/or gifts from another organization during the holiday season, please let us know. This will allow other families to be "adopted" who might not otherwise be able to participate in the program.

Please make every effort to pick up your baskets/packages on time – ask a friend to help if necessary. It is important that you have sufficient room in your car to collect what is often a bountiful container, or two or three. Pick-up will be at the DPW Garage at 75 Newcrossing Road. Newcrossing Road is off Walkers Brook Drive behind the Stop & Shop.

SAVE THE DATE! Pick-Up Schedule at DPW Garage

Thanksgiving Food Basket Tuesday, November 20, 2018 10:30am – 12:00pm Christmas/Holiday Food Baskets and/or Gifts Thursday, December 20, 2018 10:30am – 12:00pm

Be sure to send back <u>all</u> of these items by October 31, 2018 to Reading Town Hall, 16 Lowell Street, in person or via mail. Missing items will delay your application.

Recipient Participation Form
Wish List(s) if requesting gifts for children
Proof of Type of Assistance, and details for Special Consideration

Sincerely,

The Reading Rotary Club & ReadingCares