

## 2020 Orange County Christmas Adoption Request

### Information and Application

1. You are encouraged to adhere to the social distancing guidelines set forth by the Governor of Virginia.
2. All deliveries, county wide, need to be done Saturday, December 12, 2020 between 9 A.M. and 3 P.M. This will avoid any confusion between the different groups delivering and will alleviate any stress and anxiety for the families who have asked for assistance. This will ensure that we have time to make corrections if necessary.
3. Thank you for wanting to help this holiday season! As a community we serve approximately one thousand Orange County residents during the holidays. This number is comprised of children, adults and the elderly. That being said, the needs vary from household to household and so does the financial obligation associated with adopting each household.

#### Some items to consider:

- Does your organization wish to only donate food for the holidays?
  - Do they want to donate food and clothing for a family?
  - Do they wish to provide food, clothing and presents for the children?
  - If you are donating food only, please budget at least \$35-40 per person in the household. If you choose to donate food and clothing, please budget at least \$100-110 per person in the household. If you choose to donate food, clothing, and gifts, please budget at least \$135-150 per person. These figures are estimates. If your organization does not wish to provide presents to the children, but would rather focus your resources on food, and clothing please state so on the application. The Orange County Children's Toy Box will provide gifts to the children if needed.
4. Please contact the families you have been given immediately and exchange your contact information so deliveries on December 14th may be arranged.
  5. Please ask for two emergency contact numbers in case a phone gets disconnected between now and delivery.
  6. Clarify the address and directions.
  7. Please let the family know when you will be delivering on December 12, 2020 and make a follow up call the week before delivery confirming the time of delivery.
  8. Verify ages, gender, special needs, sizes, wants and needs as well as food allergies.
  9. Please ask if there are any disabilities which might change what gifts are or are not appropriate.
  10. Please feel free to have a conversation regarding specific needs. Does the family have a need for shoes, coat or a special toy? Do they need more food than clothing? We are eager for a maximum benefit from your donation.
  11. Delivery needs to be done on Saturday, December 12, 2020 between 9 A.M. and 3 P.M.
  12. Adoptions usually cover clothing, Christmas gifts/toys and food. The food may be the fixings for a holiday meal and/or more non-perishable items that will help them through the winter.
  13. Remember, full adoption usually runs approximately \$135-\$150 PER PERSON IN THE HOUSEHOLD. On average a family of four will cost around \$400-\$600. Thank you for taking this on. If you have any questions, please contact Orange County Social Services, who may be reached at 540-672-1155 ext. 8117.

14. If a family has been adopted, they will not be served directly by the Children's Toy Box. We are hopeful all of the needs of the family will be met by the adopting agencies.
15. ALL other children, not adopted will be served by the OC Children's Toy Box. The Toy Box provides presents to children who range in age from birth through age eighteen. They do not provide food or clothing; they provide gifts for the children only.

**Application to Adopt 2020**

Name and address of family or organization wishing to adopt:

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Contact person (name, cell #, work or home #, email address):

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What size families are you interested in (circle)?

Small - Up to 4 people

Medium - 4-6

Large - more than 6

How many families would you like to adopt? \_\_\_\_\_

We will provide assistance for (circle):

Adults and children

Children only

Age range of children: (circle all that apply) some families have more than one age group in the home.

Infant to Preschool

School Age

Tweens and Teens

What part of the county is best for your group? Please note a landmark or road numbers.

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Adoption commitment (circle one):

Food only

Food and clothing

Food, clothing and gifts for all, ages 0-18 years

Acknowledgement of the guidelines and the delivery schedule:

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Printed name of person signing \_\_\_\_\_