



WHAT IS THE “SANDY’S STOCKING”?

This project focuses on a small-scale donation opportunity that provides some large-scale joy for children of struggling families. On average, filling a stocking only costs \$10-\$20. Stuffed stockings will be distributed to families throughout our area by the D300 Food Pantry as well as other organizations who serve our neighbors in need.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE AND BECOME A SANDY’S STOCKING STUFFER?

This project is perfect for an individual, a family, a small group/club, or any size business!

- ◆ For each stocking they wish to fill, Stuffers will receive a large opaque resealable bag labeled with an age range and gender. Inside each bag will be a list of suggested stocking stuffer items for that specific age and gender and some other general instructions.
- ◆ Stuffers are asked to return their bag with all the items for the stocking sealed inside.
- ◆ There will be designated drop off days, times and locations for Stuffers to return their bags. Group Stuffers may have different drop-off instructions—Group Leaders will have that information.

WHAT IS THE TIMELINE FOR 2020 STOCKINGS?

- ◆ **STOCKING COMMIT:** Individuals and groups commit to stuff stockings through November 15, 2020 by completing the online form or contacting stockings@d300foodpantry.org. Individuals or groups can commit to stuff one, 1001, or any number in between!
- ◆ **EMPTY STOCKING BAG DISBURSEMENT:** Empty stocking bags will be ready for disbursement to Stuffers no later than Wednesday, November 18th. Empty stocking bags will either be delivered to Stuffers either by drop-off or mail.
- ◆ **STUFFED STOCKING COLLECTION:** Stuffed stockings need to be received by Sandy’s Stocking no later than Friday, December 11th. There will be specific stocking drop-off dates and locations (TBA). Stuffers filling 20 or more stockings will be able to schedule a pick-up.

READY TO COMMIT?

Individuals or groups interested in reserving stockings to stuff should e-mail stockings@d300foodpantry.org. There is an online form that Stuffers can fill out; or the following can be e-mailed—

ALL STOCKING RESERVATIONS MUST INCLUDE:

- ◆ **Individual or Group Name**
- ◆ **Contact Name (applicable for groups)**
- ◆ **E-mail**
- ◆ **Mobile Number (or other phone if mobile n/a)**
- ◆ **Mailing Address**
- ◆ **Number of Stockings Committing to Fill** (*Reminder: Each stocking will cost \$10-\$15 to fill.*)

NO TIME TO STUFF?

This is our fourth year of Sandy’s Stocking! Last year we stuffed almost 1700 stockings! We already know the need is much greater this year and have a goal to stuff 2000 stockings.

We are very careful to make sure Sandy’s Stocking does not utilize any funds that are not covered by a donor for this specific project. To aid in covering expenses (stockings, bags, etc.) AND to offer an option to those who want to contribute to this project but don’t have the time to shop, we are seeking monetary donations too. **Donations specifically for Sandy’s Stocking can be made online through the special fundraiser (via D300 Food Pantry). Or, checks can be mailed to the D300 Food Pantry with “Sandy’s Stocking” in the memo line (P.O. Box 879, Carpentersville, IL 60110).**