

# *The Salvation Army and Star 104.5*

## **2022 Adopt A Family Radiothon Guidelines**



Star 104.5 is excited to partner with The Salvation Army for our 23rd Annual Adopt-A-Family Radiothon presented by Corwin Toyota of Bellevue. We are so grateful that you've chosen to join us this year—especially now, when high inflation is affecting so many families in need around the metro.

Thank you again for supporting this program! Your generosity is truly appreciated.

### Your commitment is to:

- **Call your family before Friday, December 9, 2022, to confirm they have been adopted, to obtain any additional information needed, and to arrange a delivery date.**
- Purchase gifts for children ages 0-15 and seniors (60 and older) listed on the paperwork at a value of \$30 for each child/senior. Note: If there are other children older than age 15 listed, you may choose to purchase a gift for them, but it is NOT required.
- Purchase a grocery gift card for the family. The dollar amount of the grocery card should equal:
  - Senior (1) = \$20
  - Family of 2-3 = \$30
  - Family of 4-5 = \$40
  - Family of 6+ = \$50
- Wrap and label all gifts with the child/senior's name.
- Deliver gifts and grocery gift card directly to the family. As a sponsor family, you will arrange a drop-off date and time with your adopted family.
- **Deliveries to the family should be made by December 19, 2022. The Salvation Army is not a drop-off site. If you and your adopted family are in communication this day is a recommendation.**

### Additional guidelines:

- No "used" gifts, please.
- The information you have been given about your family is all that we have available. In some cases, clothing sizes are listed and/or a gift "wish list." If needed, please request additional information when contacting your adopted family.
- If you purchase a toy that requires batteries, please provide the batteries needed.
- Please make sure you are following CDC Guidelines for the safety of everyone amid the pandemic. Sponsor families are not allowed to enter adopted families' homes. If you do not want to deliver to the home, you may arrange to deliver directly to the family at a public place.
- Please avoid gifts that require difficult assembly. The needs of the family are usually very basic. However, we do occasionally receive requests for "fantasy" gifts. Please do not be discouraged if you receive such a request. You are NOT obligated to provide gifts that exceed \$30 per child.
- **If you or a close family member have been exposed to COVID or are facing difficulty in completing your commitment to your adopted family, please call 402-898-5888.** We have staff to help come up with solutions! Please give us a call as soon as possible to make sure we

can readopt the family or place them in emergency Christmas if needed.

- **If you are having trouble contacting a family via phone, please call us at 402-898-5888** so we can confirm the phone number and document any wrong numbers or multiple phone call attempts that have not been successful.
- If you are unable to contact your family/senior via phone, you can also send a letter in the mail stating that you have adopted them and are trying to get in touch with them.
- If you are having difficulty communicating with the family due to a language barrier, please call 402-898-5888. We have translators and resources to happily assist you every step of the way.

**All families that apply through The Salvation Army for the Adopt-A-Family program must meet *eligibility of need* standards to participate. On some occasions, this need may not be readily apparent to the sponsor at the time of delivery.** Due to unanticipated circumstances such as military deployment, job layoffs, health issues and underemployment, people who may not have qualified for The Salvation Army services in the past may now need help.

You are welcome to share any observations, questions or feedback with us by calling Adopt A Family sponsor hotline at 402-898-5888.

Thank you again for sharing your Christmas spirit by adopting a family through The Salvation Army. Knowing you have made the holidays brighter for a family in need is the best gift you can give to yourself -- and one which will stay with you throughout the year.

**If you have questions, please call our sponsor hotline at 402-898-5888 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.**

***Thank you for making it possible for a family to have a beautiful Christmas. Our wish is that yours will be as blessed as well.***