

October 1, 2013





Dear Friend of HAVEN,

The holidays can be an exciting and wonderful time, but for many families seeking services at HAVEN, they can be the most difficult time of the year. Besides the normal stress of the holidays, survivors of domestic and sexual violence have added concerns about being able to provide even the simplest of items to make the holidays special for their families.

Thanks to the generosity of friends and community partners like you, we were able to help 281 families including 740 children, experience a holiday filled with wonder and excitement last year. And we are counting on you to make our **27th Annual Gift Giveaway** just as successful!

During Gift Giveaway, new, unwrapped gifts are collected through your donations, and individuals who have received HAVEN services in the past year can select special gifts for each member of their immediate household. Wrapping materials are provided for that personal finishing touch.

GIVE A GIFT		MAKE A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION		VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME
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HOW YOU CAN HELP:

Collect **new, unwrapped** gifts and gift cards. Please see page 2 for our wish list items. Gifts will be collected **December 8, 9, 10** at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Bloomfield Hills, and gift drop off times and a map are included on page 3.

Financial contributions to support this special event are also accepted and greatly appreciated. Visit www.haven-oakland.org to make your gift online or checks can be mailed to: PO Box 431045, Pontiac, MI 48342.

For more information regarding gift donations please contact:
Adreena Harley at aharley@haven-oakland.org or 248-322-3707.

TO VOLUNTEER:

We are also looking for volunteers to help play an important role in the success of this event. Please see page 4 for information about requirements and how to sign up.

**Thank you for making the holidays a little brighter
for someone in need!**

2013 GIFT GIVEAWAY - WISH LIST



ALL ITEMS MUST BE NEW, UNUSED AND UNWRAPPED.

Donations of \$10 gift cards are encouraged from Target, Meijer or Kroger. This allows our clients to meet their varying needs in the most cost effective manner.

Gifts for girls and boys, ages 0-3

- Winter Coats, Hats, Scarves, Mittens
- Underwear, Socks, Pajamas
- Push and Pull Toys, Sensory or Soft toys, Balls
- Dolls of diverse Ethnicities, Action Figures, Big Legos, Books
- Diapers (especially larger sizes), Wipes, Diaper Pails, Bibs, Bottles
- Strollers – Umbrella, Regular, Single and Double
- DVD's (i.e., Baby Einstein, Dora, Diego, Tinkerbell, Disney Princess Movies)

Gifts for girls and boys, ages 4-7

- Winter Coats, Hats, Scarves, Mittens
- Underwear, Socks, Pajamas
- Action Figures, Dolls of diverse Ethnicities, Books, Legos, Cars
- Video Games, Board Games
- DVD's (i.e., Baby Einstein, Dora, Diego, Tinkerbell, Disney Princess Movies, Thomas the Train Engine, Elmo, Sesame Street, Disney Cars, Monsters Inc., Despicable Me)

Gifts for girls and boys, ages 8-12

- Winter Coats, Hats, Scarves, Mittens
- Underwear, Socks, Pajamas
- Action Figures, Dolls of diverse Ethnicities, Dress Up Clothes, Craft Sets, Art Sets, Bead Kits
- Books, Legos, Cars, Trucks, Remote Control Cars and Trucks
- Video Games (educational, non-violent), Ear Buds, Headphones, MP3 Players
- Board Games, DVD (PG, non-violent), \$20 Gift Card (Target, Meijer, Wal-Mart, Best Buy)

Gifts for teens, ages 13-18

- Winter Coats, Hats, Scarves, Mittens
- Underwear, Socks, Pajamas
- Make Up sets, Jewelry, Sports Equipment, Skateboards
- Remote Control Cars and Trucks, Baseball hats (Detroit area & college teams)
- CD players, DVD players, Cameras, MP3 players, Kindle
- Video games and DVD's, Ear Buds, Headphones, \$20 Gift card (Target, Meijer, Wal-Mart, Best Buy)

Gifts for adults 19+ and family items

- Winter Coats, Hats, Scarves, Mittens
- Underwear, Socks, Sweatshirts, Sweatpants, Pajamas
- Microwave, Alarm clock, Small kitchen appliances (coffee maker, toaster, blender, iron)
- Dishes, Pots and Pans, Silverware, Kitchen Gadgets
- Blankets, Pillows, Comforters, Sheets, Hand and Bath Towels, Kitchen towels
- Board Games (Monopoly, Life, Sorry, Connect 4, UNO, Pictionary)
- Gift wrap, Tape, Bows, Batteries for games/electronics

PLEASE...

No toys with weapons (including squirt guns).

No DVD's or gifts with violent themes.

**No edible items.
No used items.**



HAVEN is pleased to announce that
St. Paul United Methodist Church in Bloomfield Hills
is once again graciously allowing us to use their location to collect and distribute gifts.

**St. Paul United Methodist Church
165 East Square Lake Road
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302**

Please do not call the church.

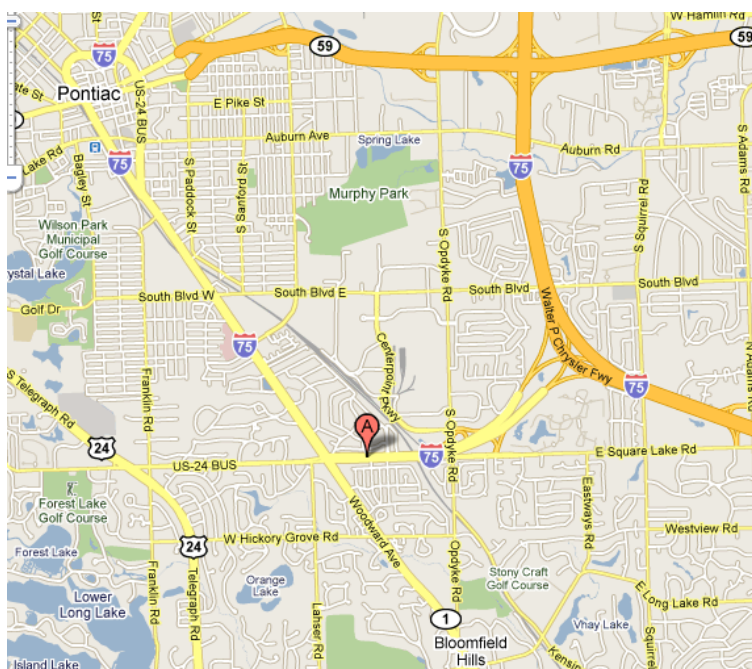
**Call 248-701-4956 for information and assistance
when dropping off gifts.**

Donation Collection Times:

**Sunday, December 8
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Monday, December 9
10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, December 10
10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.**



From I-75: Take the Square Lake exit number 75 (head west toward Woodward). Go 1.6 miles (pass Opdyke and go over the railroad tracks) and look for Mulberry Road on your right (just past the Mulberry Square Apartments). Turn right on Mulberry Road and turn left immediately into the parking lot.

From Woodward: Head east on Square Lake Road. Turn around at the third U-turn (if you miss it, you will end up on I-75). Once you turn around, make an immediate right onto Mulberry Road and turn left immediately into the parking lot.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Gift Giveaway 2013



Thank you for your interest in volunteering at the HAVEN Gift Giveaway. Families helped by HAVEN programs during the past year are eligible to receive gifts for children in their household. Support from friends like you is an important part of the success of this event. **THANK YOU!**

Event Details:

- On **December 8, 9, 10**, volunteers will take in donations, set up the room, organize and sort the donations and take inventory.
- On **December 11, 12** volunteers will help clients with their “shopping”, restock tables and keep things organized, and help with trash disposal.
- Volunteers for the last shift on December 12 will help clients with shopping and will also help clean up. These volunteers should be ready to help transport materials and supplies to our Shelter in Pontiac using their own cars.
- All volunteer shifts will be at St. Paul Methodist Church in Bloomfield Hills.
- You do not need to find a group large enough to fill the entire shift.

Restrictions:

Volunteers must be **age 14 or older** and able to stand for extended periods of time. There is also some lifting involved for all volunteers. **Volunteers are expected to stay for the entire shift.**

Volunteer Shifts:

Sunday, December 8	11:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.	12 people needed
Sunday, December 8	2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	12 people needed
Monday, December 9	9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	12 people needed
Monday, December 9	12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	18 people needed
Monday, December 9	3:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	21 people needed
Tuesday, December 10	9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	12 people needed
Tuesday, December 10	1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	21 people needed
Tuesday, December 10	4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	21 people needed
Wednesday, December 11	8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	36 people needed
Wednesday, December 11	12:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	36 people needed
Wednesday, December 11	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	36 people needed
Thursday, December 12	8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	36 people needed
Thursday, December 12	11:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.	36 people needed
Thursday, December 12	2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	36 people needed

Please contact Adreana Harley at aharley@haven-oakland.org or 248-322-3707. Additional information will be shared with you once your volunteer shift is confirmed.