

The Holiday Sharing Committee and the Department of Community and Human Services is proud that the link between generous donors and our neighbors in need continues to be strong, in spite of economic bad news. The Holiday Sharing Committee thanks you for your many contributions to making a beautiful holiday for families, foster children and senior/disabled residents of our community. Your donations of warm jackets, toys, gift cards for foster teens and grocery cards for families and senior citizens, contributions to *The Fund for Alexandria's Child* and the Senior (Eleanor Ager) Fund, your volunteer efforts to register families and distribute the gifts to them, your fulfillment of the wish lists of families, the elderly and disabled and foster kids, and the massive organizational machine that has evolved to bring all of the above to fruition, plus so many individual efforts are reassuring and heart-warming.

Take a look at these overwhelming statistics:

# of Low income families served	764 (2627 children)
Sponsor a Family Program	427
Referred to non-profit Community Partners for Children	349
# of Foster Children Served	121
# of Senior or Disabled residents served	201
# of Sponsors to Sponsor a Family/Senior/Foster Child Programs	362
	(246 individuals; 116 groups)
# of Financial contributors to <i>The Fund for Alexandria's Child</i> and Senior Fund	76
# of Donors of warm jackets	84
# of Volunteers	168
# of Volunteer Hours	1028
In-Kind value of volunteer hours	(\$22,616)
In-Kind value of gift cards for families, foster teens and seniors/disabled	(\$25,000)
Total cash donations to <i>The Fund for Alexandria's Child</i> and Senior Fund	\$14,953

We wish you a very happy 2012 and look forward to seeing you and working with you this year. We hope that "...your spirit has been expanded by your kind and anonymous generosity" as we on the Holiday Sharing Committee have all experienced. Should you be interested in helping to pull together Holiday Sharing 2012 (which begins in earnest after Labor Day!) please let us know at 703.746.5663.

Please enjoy these terrific photographs of the fun and effort that went into Holiday Sharing 2011.

Sincerely,

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