

**HOLIDAY
INFORMATION
BULLETIN**

2017 (rev. Nov. 22, 2017)

Information Center
Central Library of Rochester
and Monroe County
115 South Avenue
Rochester, New York 14604-1896
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**WHERE TO GO FOR FREE
THANKSGIVING DINNERS**

**WHERE TO APPLY FOR
THANKSGIVING/
CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS**

**WHERE TO DONATE/VOLUNTEER
DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON**

**PLEASE CALL AGENCY TO CONFIRM
DATES AND TIMES OF PROGRAMS**

THANKSGIVING & CHRISTMAS DINNERS

Blessed Sacrament Church

259 Rutgers St. Rochester, NY 14607
Thanksgiving Dinner: November 21, 2017 at 6:30
Holiday Dinner: December 18, 2017 at 6:30
Supper Program open on Christmas Day
Open to the public
Call Mary Jo Lightholder for more info: 442-5279
mjlightholder@frontiernet.net

Cameron Community Ministries (585) 254-2697

48 Cameron Street
Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 2017, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
Christmas dinner, December 25, 2017, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
Anyone in need is welcome
No carry-out
Cost: none

Central Church of Christ **NEW LISTING!**

101 South Plymouth Ave 14608
325-6043
Thanksgiving Dinner November 23, 2017 12:00PM
Christmas Dinner December 16, 2017 11:30AM – 1:00PM

Community Lutheran Ministries, Inc. (585) 338-2420

942 Joseph Avenue
Thanksgiving dinner, Saturday before Thanksgiving, November 18, 2017 12:00pm - 4:00pm
Anyone is welcome, no pre-registration.

Community Place of Greater Rochester (585) 288-0021

145 Parsells Avenue
Thanksgiving dinner
Thursday November 16, 2017 5:30-7:30 PM
Area served 14609, parts of 14605, 14607, 14610, and parts of 14621
Cost: none

First Genesis Baptist Church (585) 454-7418 **NEW LISTING!**

292 Hudson Ave
Thanksgiving dinner
Thursday November 23, 2017 11:00 am-1:00 pm
Sit-down dinner for anyone in need
Cost: none

Northwest Neighborhood Outreach Center (585) 623-2379 **NEW LISTING!**

1261 Dewey Ave
Thanksgiving dinner November 21, 2017 4:00 pm-6:00 pm
Christmas dinner December 19, 2017 4:00 pm-6:00 pm
Anyone in need is welcome
Cost: none

Open Door Mission (585) 454-6696
210 West Main Street
Thanksgiving Day November 23, 2017, 4:00 – 7:00 PM
Religious service during dinner service
Anyone in need is welcome
Cost: none

St. Martin's Place (585) 325-6500
Thanksgiving dinner
St. Martin's Place, 55 Ontario Street
Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 2017, 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Christmas Dinner December 22, 2017, 11:30-12:30
Anyone in need is welcome
Come to the above address; reservations not necessary
Cost: none

St. Peter's Kitchen (585) 235-6511 Thanksgiving dinner
Behind church at 681 Brown Street
Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 2017, 12:00 -1:00 PM
Christmas Day 12:00 – 1:00 PM
Anyone in need is welcome
Come to the above address; reservations not necessary
No carry-out
Cost: none

Salvation Army (585) 987-9500
Thanksgiving dinner
100 West Avenue
70 Liberty Pole Way
915 North Clinton Ave
Sunday November 19, service at 12:30 – 2:30 PM, with meal following
Anyone in need is welcome
Reservations not necessary
No Food Baskets for Thanksgiving
Cost: none

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

The following agencies are accepting applications for Thanksgiving food baskets for needy families. An interview may be required and clients may be asked to present the following documentation for proof of eligibility: proof of income; identification for each family member, including social security number; and photo identification for the head of household. Please note that services are limited to areas listed. Call the agency for additional information.

Cameron Community Ministries (585) 254-2697
48 Cameron Street
Thanksgiving food basket
Starting November 1, 2017 at 9:00 am in person with ID to sign-up.

Community Place of Greater Rochester

(585) 288-0021

145 Parsells Avenue

Register through November 10, 2017 from 9-12 Mon. – Fri.

57 Central Park, Rochester, NY 14605 or 145 Parsells Avenue, Rochester, NY 14609

Bring proof of income and residency.

Dimitri House (585) 325-1796

Food baskets

102 North Union Street

Serves 14604, 14605, 14607, and 14609

Call the above number beginning October 3, 2017

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM, Monday – Thursday

Must have at least 1 child under 17 living in the household; proof of address and number of members of household required.

Baskets given on a first come, first served basis to qualified applicants. Cost: none

Irondequoit Community Cupboard (585) 336-9107

Food baskets

4275 Culver Road

Area served: Irondequoit. Sign up in person only.

Memorial AME Zion Church (585) 546-5997

549 Clarissa Street

Thanksgiving food basket sign-up:

October 19, 2017 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

November 2, 2017 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

At least 3 people in the household to be eligible; must bring ID for everyone in household.

Call for more information

Mission Share (585) 368-0746

Food Baskets

10 Cedarfield Commons

By appointment only please call

Area served: 14612, 14615, 14616, 14626

Rochester Family Mission (585) 436-7523

388 Tremont Street

2017 Holiday Basket Sign-up

One time sign-up for both Thanksgiving and Christmas

Tuesday October 10, 2017, 9:00 – 12:00, Zip codes: 14606, 14608, 14611, 14619

Wednesday October 11 and Thursday October 12, 2017, 9:00 – 12:00 (all Zip codes)

What to bring: 1. I.D., 2. Proof of residency, 3. Proof of income

Cost: none, first come, first serve

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS AND TOYS

The following agencies are accepting applications for Christmas food baskets and/or toys for needy families.

All agencies require an interview and clients must present the following documentation for proof of eligibility: proof of income; identification for each family member, including social security number; and photo identification, proof of current address for the head of household.

Not all agencies cover every area of the city; be sure to check each listing for Zip Codes covered. For additional information, contact the appropriate agency at the number given.

Baden Street Settlement (585) 325-4910

Christmas food baskets and gift

152 Baden Street

Serves E. Ridge Road (north), Inner Loop (south), St Paul Street (west), Portland Avenue/Carter Street (east); portions of 14605, 14604 and 14621

Apply at the above address between November 1, 2016 and November 22, 2017, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday

Cost: none

Cameron Community Ministries (585) 254-2697

48 Cameron Street

Christmas Food Basket: starting December 1, 2017 9:00am in person with ID to sign-up.

Holiday Party December 20th 4-6 pm. Kids under 18 and meet Santa and receive a gift.

Cost: none

Central Church of Christ **NEW LISTING!**

101 South Plymouth Ave 14608

325-6043

Sign-up November 29, 2017 7:00PM – 8:30 PM in person, open to the public, please bring ID.

Community Place of Greater Rochester (585) 288-0021 and 327-7200

Christmas food baskets: sign-up begins 2nd week of October.

Donations can be brought to 145 Parsells Avenue, Rochester, NY 14609

Checks can be mailed to 57 Central Park, Rochester, NY 14605

Serves 14609, parts of 14605, 14607, 14610, and 14621

Cost: none.

Irondequoit Community Cupboard (585) 336-9107

Food baskets

4275 Culver Road

Area served: Irondequoit. Sign up in person only.

Maplewood Edgerton (MEEK) (585) 458-5423

Christmas food baskets

2 Riverside St 14613

Serves 14613, portions of 14615 and portions of 14608 and 14606

Registration for Christmas food baskets is Monday, November 27, 2017 at 9:00am.

Cost: none

Rochester Family Mission (585) 436-7523

388 Tremont Street

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Wednesday October 11 and Thursday October 12, 2017, 9:00 – 12:00 (all Zip codes)

What to bring: 1. I.D., 2. Proof of residency, 3. Proof of income

Cost: none, first come first serve

Salvation Army (585) 987-9500

Christmas Assistance

100 West Avenue

Serves all of Monroe County

Apply at the above address between November 6 and 10, 2017. Monday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM,

Tuesday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Wednesday 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Thursday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM,

Friday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Head of household must bring photo ID, proof of address, proof of

income and proof of ID for each additional household member.

Cost: none

St. Peter's Kitchen (585) 235-6511

Children's Toy Store

Areas served: 14604, 14608, 14611, 14619, 14606 (Mt. Read area)

November 13-27, 2017 during lunch hour 12:00-1:00.

Please bring budget sheet, social security info or benefits card plus recent piece of mail.

SWEM Community Services (585) 235-4494

Christmas food baskets

350 Chili Avenue (clients must call, no messages please)

Serves 14428, 14514, 14546, 14559, 14606, 14608, 14611, 14614, 14619, parts of 14623 (west of Genesee River), 14624

Call the above number between November 1 – 23, 2017

10:30 AM – 1:00 PM, Monday – Friday (No holidays or weekends)

Cost: none

Togetherness in Love (585) 794-0111 **UPDATE IN NOVEMBER**

1443 East Main Street

Food/Monetary donations welcome.

Christmas Party December 21, 2016 at 6pm.

Hot dinner and games.

Apply in person, please bring proof of address and number of members in household.

Cost: none

DONATIONS FOR THANKSGIVING, CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS, AND GIFTS

Those who wish may donate money, food, or toys to the following:

Baden Street Settlement

Accepts donations of new unwrapped presents, toys, clothing and food baskets. Monetary donations are also accepted. Make checks payable to Baden Street Holiday Fund and mail to 152 Baden Street, Rochester, NY 14605, Attn: Gladys Holloman or Dolores Rodriguez. Items can be dropped off Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM through December 15. For further information, call (585) 325-4910, ext. 1132 or 1137.

Cameron Community Ministries

Accepts unwrapped gifts for infants to teens. Monetary donations also welcome.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester Annual Christmas Appeal

Make checks out to Annual Christmas Appeal and mail to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester, Christmas Appeal, 1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, NY 14624. (585) 328-3210.

Catholic Family Center

Beginning November 2017 go to www.cfcrochester.org or contact Claudia Gill at 262-7044 or cgill@cfcrochester.org for information on how to donate items for the “Adopt a Family” Program and other wish lists.

Central Library Mitten Tree

The Mitten Tree will be going up on November 1, 2017 and will run through December 15, 2017. Please consider donating mittens, gloves, hats, socks, scarves and hoodies in sizes child to adult. This year, two mitten trees will be put up, one near the Reynolds Media Center and the other in the Children's Center.

Community Place of Greater Rochester

Accepts donations of clothing, games, toys, food or money. Checks can be made out to Community Place of Greater Rochester and sent to 57 Central Park, Rochester, NY 14605. Items can be dropped off at 145 Parsells Ave, Rochester, NY 14609 or call (585) 288-0021, for more information

DePaul

Seeking Holiday Helpers to purchase gifts for clients in DePaul's mental health residential and treatment programs. Contact Amy Cavalier at (585) 719-3102 or at acavalier@depaul.org to be matched with a holiday wish that includes an individual's gender, age and size. Monetary donations are always welcome. Gifts should be dropped off by December 1, 2017, at 1931 Buffalo Road, Rochester, NY 14624

Dimitri House

Accepts donations of non-perishable food items, toiletries, household items, clothing, office supplies, or money. Make checks payable to Dimitri House and mail to 102 North Union Street, Rochester, NY 14605. Items can be dropped off Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM and 1:00 – 5:00 PM. Also looking for volunteers to participate in the “Adopt a family” program. For further information, call (585) 325-1796.

Hillside Family of Agencies

Seeking “Special Santas” to purchase gifts for youth and their families enrolled in one of the many programs or services offered by Hillside Family of agencies. To learn more about the Hillside Special Santas program and the gift wishes of our youth, please visit www.hillside.com/ways-to-help or call Amy Gallaher at 256-7630. Our deadline for gift donations is December 15th this season. If shopping isn't for you, checks can be made payable to “Hillside Special Santas” and sent to Hillside Childrens Foundation, P.O. Box 1901, Albany, NY 12201-01901. Thank you for your support of our youth and families during this time of year!

Rochester Family Mission

Accepts donations of non-perishable food items and children's gifts. Financial donations are also accepted. Checks should be made payable to Rochester Family Mission and mailed to 388 Tremont Street, Rochester, NY 14608. For more information, call (585) 436-7523.

SWEM Community Services (585) 235-4494

350 Chili Ave

Call to receive list of food items needed to make a Christmas basket and information about delivery of donation.

Third Presbyterian Church

Accepts donations of non-perishable food items. Items can be dropped off at the church office, Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Money donations also accepted. Make checks payable to Third Presbyterian Church and mail to 4 Meigs Street, Rochester, NY 14607. For further information call Rev. Lynette Sparks at (585) 271-6537, ext. 106

Salvation Army

Project Bundle Up: Saturday October 28, 2017. Volunteers will be paired up with a child to shop for a new winter coat. Registration and Volunteer sign up runs until Oct. 13, 2017 8:00 am – 3:30 pm. Register at 70 Liberty Pole Way. Qualifying child must be 6-12 years old on shopping day and fall into household income guidelines.

Bell Ringers needed. Please apply in person at 70 Liberty Pole Way. Please bring ID and Social Security card.

Volunteers needed for Angel Trees Program, provides gifts to children. Call Tracy Dalykas at 987-9500, ext 2312

Villa of Hope Holiday Wishes Program

Accepts donations such as new generic gifts for children (infants to 20 yrs), new clothes, winter apparel, board games. Monetary donations also accepted. Items can be dropped off all year long at Villa of Hope 3300 Dewey Avenue or participating Starbucks and Summit Federal Credit Union locations. For further information, call Gerianne Puskas at (585) 865-1550, ext. 287

**IF YOU NEED FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF THE PROGRAMS
LISTED, PLEASE CALL THE AGENCY DIRECTLY.**

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO MAKE PHOTOCOPIES OF THIS BULLETIN

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