



**JOIN US**

**FOR OUR FIRST EVER**

**OPEN HOUSE**

**DECEMBER 4, 2011**

**4:00PM-8:00PM**

(same night as Abbotsford downtown tree-lighting)



*You can help us in many other ways!*

- Do a gift exchange with friends, family or co-workers where gifts bought are donated to the Christmas Bureau (We always need teen gifts)
- Volunteer to sort food after the Christmas rush
- Provide a discount for customers if they bring in a food or toy item to be donated
- Have a Christmas party, where admission is donated to the Christmas Bureau
- Word of mouth is a great way for us to get more support. Tell your friends how you are helping us
- Think of other creative ways to gather gifts or food



**PEACE** **LOVE**  
**& JOY**



**ABBOTSFORD**  
**CHRISTMAS**  
**BUREAU**

**2011**






# SPONSOR-A-FAMILY

**T**he Sponsor-a-Family Program is a rewarding way for an individual, business, church, school or organization to be involved in blessing a family in need this Christmas. Each Sponsor is asked to provide a food hamper and gifts for the family they are matched with.

## How to Sponsor

It's simple! Fill out a sponsor application where you can choose family preferences, such as children's ages and family size. We will match you with an appropriate family.

Once you have called your family to learn their preferences you can go shopping. Set up a delivery time with your family and experience the joy of seeing your gift received.

 Sponsor Applications can be completed online, faxed, mailed or dropped off



## Food Hampers

Please try to include the following items in the food hamper (unless otherwise specified), as well as any other additions you would like to add. This food is meant to help them throughout the Christmas Season as well as provide a bountiful Christmas dinner.

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| Turkey/Ham/Roast               | Cheese & Yogurt            |
| Healthy Juice                  | Bacon/Lunch Meats          |
| Coffee/Tea/Hot Chocolate       | Pancake Mix & Syrup        |
| Christmas Oranges              | Peanut Butter & Jam        |
| Fresh or Frozen Vegetables     | Butter or Margarine        |
| Milk                           | Bread                      |
| Stuffing Mix & Cranberry Sauce | Pickles or Olives          |
| Eggs                           | Cereal                     |
| Crackers                       | A Dessert/Christmas Baking |

\* See website for a more detailed Food Hamper List

## Gifts

Each sponsor is asked to provide family members with the following:

\* One major gift (\$50) and a small gift or stocking stuffer for each child

\* One gift for each adult (amount is up to you)



## Sponsor Information

We will provide the following:

- Your matched family's name, address and phone number
- The age and gender of each family member and some gift suggestions
- Any allergies or special wishes the family may have

## Did You Know?

- You can **Sponsor a Senior** through the Christmas Bureau
- Last year we helped 732 families including 1,295 children and 58 seniors
- If you can't meet the gift or food requirements the Christmas Bureau can help
- Gift-in-kind tax receipts may be issued for all food and gifts purchased (keep your receipts)
- **We need sponsors more than ever this year!**



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