United Way California Capital Region is proud to share the following drives benefitting United Way and our certified nonprofit partners. Please contact the organization hosting the drive directly to get involved. If you have questions or need assistance, don’t hesitate to contact us at volunteer@uwcc.org or 916-856-3983. Thank you in advance for considering giving back to our community through participation in a drive! Be sure to check out the helpful hints at the end of this document.

**United Way California Capital Region**

**Description:** School Supply Drive to support Regional Education Collaborative. Items collected include: backpacks, pencils, pens, erasers, markers, paper, notebooks, index cards, rulers, protractors, colored pencils, journal notebooks, highlighters, portfolios, student scissors, pocket calculators, copy paper, copy paper (white and various colors), student white boards, dry erase markers, notebook paper, construction paper, 3 ring binders, 3 ring binder dividers and others.

**Dates:** Ongoing

**Drop-off location:** Various, please inquire.

**Who will benefit?** Students at target school for Regional Education Collaborative from elementary through high school.

**Contact:** Cole Forstedt
916.856.3983
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www.uwccr.org

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**United Way California Capital Region Women in Philanthropy Program**

**Description:** We are collecting donated stockings and gifts through United Way’s Women in Philanthropy group so local foster youth, and those emancipated, will have holiday wishes fulfilled. We are also working to have Fifty foster youth in Sacramento County’s Gifts From The Heart program receive the holiday gifts they requested.

**Dates:** November, 5th – December 3rd

**Drop-off location, pick-up available?** Please drop off gifts at United Way California Capital Region, 10389 Old Placerville Road, Sacramento CA 95827. Business hours are 8:00AM-4:45PM. There is no pick-up available.

Please wrap gifts and include a gift tag detailing foster youths name, age and gift(s) donated.

**Who will benefit?** 200 local foster youth and fifty foster youth in Sacramento County’s Gifts from the Heart Program

**Contact:** Leslie Ortiz
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United Way California Capital Region

Description: 4th Annual LIVE UNITED Toilet Paper Drive. Join us for this popular drive! Many local companies get very involved with this highly publicized drive. In 2012 (year four), we raised 177,451 rolls!

Dates: June 2013

Drop-off location: Cal Expo on specific date in June 2013, TBD.

Who will benefit? Nonprofit partners in the five county California Capital Region will receive the toilet paper so they may better use the funds typically spent on this supply for program participants and staff on more valuable program costs.

Check out pictures and information from last year: http://www.yourlocalunitedway.org/live-united

Contact: Kaila Ricci
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United Way California Capital Region Education Impact Project

Description: 2nd Annual STAR Readers Book Drive, benefiting students in the United Way STAR Readers program of the Education Impact Project. Join us for year two of this book drive! Books written by local authors are selected for each grade level in the program and we strive to provide a book for each child to take home as they continue on their reading journey. Electronic involvement available!

Dates: March 2013

Drop-off location: United Way, 10389 Old Placerville Road Sacramento CA 95827

Who will benefit? Students in grades K-3 in the STAR Readers program will receive donated books written by local authors selected for each grade level. Each child will be able to take home the book as the continue on their reading journey.

Check out pictures and information from last year: http://www.yourlocalunitedway.org/education

Contact: Kaila Ricci
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National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence

Description: Christmas Toy Drive for children ages 0-16, coats and mittens, umbrellas for our ladies and their children
Drop-off location: 2143 Hurley Way Suite 130 Mondays – Fridays 8am-4pm. Or we can pick up on Wednesdays.
Who will benefit? Our children of our women in our Options for Recovery Program.
Contact: Criss Doll
916.924.4818 ext. 208
cdoll@ncaddsac.org
www.ncaddsac.org

Discovery Museum Science and Space Center/Powerhouse Science Center

Description: Supplies needed for weekend activities and crafts done each weekend throughout the year.
Dates: Ongoing
Items Needed:

1. Reams of copier paper
2. Pencils-regular #2 and golf size
3. Construction Paper
4. Scotch Tape
5. Rubber Bands
6. Cotton Balls
7. Straws
8. Markers
9. Colored Pencils
10. Clean 2-liter soda bottles with lids

Drop-off location: 3615 Auburn Boulevard Sacramento CA 95821
Who will benefit? Youth participants in weekend programs.
Contact: Kathleen Galster
916.808.3942
www.thediscovery.org
www.powerhousesciencecenter.org
Volunteer Services
Upcoming Nonprofit Partner Drives
updated 10.30.12

Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services

Description: Our Spirit of Giving drive is our biggest annual push for food and clothing, has flexible dates, a new fundraising element to support our food distributions and includes a fun competition between participating companies and organizations for community recognition in five categories. Our Halloween Food Drive is perfect for parents wanting to pass along the value of giving back to those in need. Although the self-guided drive is geared towards trick-or-treaters, companies and organizations are welcome to participate. Food collected through the first week of November will help fill food bags for our annual Thanksgiving food distribution. Last year’s distribution served 8,000 families! All of the information for both drives can be found on our website’s Host a Donation Drive page.

Dates: Flexible
Drop-off location: 3333 Third Avenue Sacramento CA 95817
Who will benefit? Local community members in need of food and other supplies.
Contact: Tarah Frost 916.456.1980 tfrost@sacramentofoodbank.org www.sacramentofoodbank.org

River Oak Center for Children

Description: "Santa's Workshop" provides the opportunity for parents or care-givers to select a gift for clients served by River Oak Center for Children and any siblings in the home. River Oak provides mental health services to approx. 1,000 low-income children throughout Sacramento County. Ages range from birth, through parenting classes in high risk areas, through the teen years. Inviting parents to personally select the gift helps insure a better gift fit and strengthens the family bond. Flyers with gift suggestions can be customized to fit a donor's area of interest or tree tags can be supplied.

Dates: Santa's workshop is held Mon and Tues, Dec 17 & 18th. Gifts received after this date will be used for birthday gifts, therapy rooms and behavior incentives.
Drop Off: Gifts may be dropped off at any of 3 River Oak sites including 9412 Big Horn Blvd, Suite 6, Elk Grove; 5030 El Camino Avenue, Carmichael; 5445 Laurel Hills Drive, Sacramento. Limited ability to pick up toys can be arranged.
Who will benefit? Clients and their siblings are afforded the opportunity to receive gifts during the Holiday season. For many of our children, these are the only gifts they receive.
Contact: Alice Gentry 916.609.5129 agentry@riveroak.org www.riveroak.org
Lilliput Children’s Services

Description:

1.) Diapers of all sizes – Diapers are particularly needed by kinship families when the children first come into the home. The caregivers are rarely, if ever, forewarned of the situation and therefore are not prepared to care for the children coming into their homes. When toddlers and infants are placed, diapers are one of the most pressing needs. Ongoing.

2.) Thanksgiving meals – The typical kinship family in Sacramento County is a single, African American grandmother in her 50s or 60s raising multiple grandchildren on a fixed, limited income. A traditional Thanksgiving meal is a real treat and all children deserve to enjoy this popular American tradition. Please let Lilliput know of intended donations by 11/9/12, items must be donated by 11/19/12.

3.) Teen holiday gifts – During the Christmas holidays, we provide a free gift shop to the kinship caregivers so that the children in their care will receive gifts during the holidays. In many cases, there would literally be no presents to open. We receive many lovely donations for the younger children, however, we also serve a great number of teens and always struggle with having enough gift options for the this older age group. Any “teen” item is greatly appreciated. Gift cards (i.e. Target, Kohl’s, Best Buy, Old Navy, Game Stop, etc.) are a great and easy option. Now through 12/7/12.

Drop-off location: Local Lilliput offices (listed here: [http://www.lilliput.org/Contact_Us.aspx](http://www.lilliput.org/Contact_Us.aspx)) or contact the KSSP office at 916-688-4750 to make other arrangements.

Who will benefit? Lilliput Children’s Services’ Kinship Support Services Program is the only of its kind in Sacramento County and supports kin - grandparents and other family members - who are raising their relative children when the birth parents are not able to do so. Our expanded kinship services include finding and connecting children with kin when they first enter foster care. By providing supportive services to kinship families, we help to ensure that the children stay safe with their extended family and do not enter non-relative foster care. Without the supports that we can provide, these families are at great risk of disruption which would result in the children entering or re-entering non-relative foster care. If separated from their birth family, it is incredibly hard for children to find their way back. Since November 2007, we have served nearly 1,500 kinship caregivers and children in the greater Sacramento area. We expect to serve nearly 750 more caregivers and children in 2012.

Contact: Elizabeth Morabito
916.567.4472
EMorabito@Lilliput.org
www.Lilliput.org
**Children’s Receiving Home**

**Description:** Angel/Christmas Wish Drive. Pick an angel and fulfill a child’s holiday wish. Bring unwrapped gifts to the Receiving Home before Christmas. Wish list available by request through e-mail.

**Dates of Drive:** Now-Dec.24

**Drop-off location:** 3555 Auburn Blvd. Sacramento CA 95821 or we can pick up if more than 50 angels.

**Who will benefit?** Children in the emergency shelter and other programs.

**Volunteer Opportunity Related to Drive:** We also need volunteers in shifts of 2 hours (2 volunteers per shift) the two weeks before Christmas between 8am-8pm to staff our lobby and greet donors, accept gifts, give out donation slips, sort donations, etc.

**Contact:** Tanya Kravchuk
916.482.2370 ext. 303
tkravchuk@crhkids.org
www.crhkids.org

**Women’s Empowerment**

1.) **Description:** Thanksgiving Food Drive. We collect bags of non-perishable Thanksgiving Fixins’ to 100 families, we DO NOT need turkeys, they are provided by local political offices, this drive is just for Fixins’.

**Dates of Drive:** Now thru November 16th.

**Drop-off location:** 1400 North C Street Sacramento CA 95811

**Who will benefit?** Graduates of Women’s Empowerment and their families, a job-readiness program for homeless women.

2.) **Description:** Holiday Stocking Drive

**Dates of Drive:** November thru December 7th

**Drop-off location:** 1400 North C Street Sacramento CA 95811

**Who will benefit?** Graduates of Women's Empowerment, a job-readiness program for homeless women. Stockings will also benefit the children of our graduates.

**Contact:** Michelle Adcock
916.669.2307
michelle@womens-empowerment.org
www.womens-empowerment.org
**Center for AIDS Research, Education & Services**

**Description:** We will be collecting food for a community partner who gives the food to HIV positive clients.

**Dates:** November 2 - November 16

**Drop-off:** 1500 21st Street Sacramento CA 95811

**Contact:** Julie Kennedy
916.914.6271
jkennedy@caresclinic.org
www.caresclinic.org

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**St. John’s Shelter for Women and Children**

1.) **Adopt-a-Family Program:** For our after-care clients (supportive housing clients) in which we connect donors with a family to donate. The donor can either buy all the gifts for the family and delivered to directly to the family OR the donor can bring all of the wrapped gifts to SJS and we will deliver. Most donors choose to deliver as they want to have a direct interaction with the family for the holiday seasons. Some donors will also provide a holiday meal for the family (all depends on the budget).

**Dates:** By mid November, we will have all of the selected families approved and donors can begin adopting the family for the holidays.

**Drop off:** 4410 Power Inn Road Sacramento CA 95826.

2.) **The Resident Holiday Giving Program:** For current clients living at SJS. We print out holiday tags in which our children color and on the back we write various "gift items" from our holiday wish list that we are asking through in-kind donations. Must be **NEW and UNWRAPPED GIFTS.** As holiday gift donations are being dropped off, volunteers can help with gift wrapping. The dates / times are TBA.

**Dates:** Now through mid / end December.

**Drop off:** 4410 Power Inn Road Sacramento CA 95826.

**Contact:** Sara Amin
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samin@stjohnsshelther.org
www.stjohnssshelter.org
Wellspring Women’s Center

1.) **In-Kind Donations for the Breakfast Program:** Hot cereal (unsweetened); cold cereal (unsweetened); peanut butter; jam; canned fruit, vegetables and beans; coffee; coffee stirrers; tea bags; luncheon napkins; individual sugar packets & sugar substitutes.

2.) **In-Kind Donations for Guest Services Program:** Sanitary napkins & tampons; adult diapers; toothbrushes & toothpaste; bath soap; travel-size toiletries; tissue; hand sanitizer.

3.) **In-Kind Donations for Women’s Wellness Program:** Grocery store gift cards ($10 to $20 each); new socks, hats, gloves, warm scarves, and umbrellas; bus passes; gas cards.

4.) **In-Kind Donations for the Art of Being Program:** Oil/chalk pastels; drawing/watercolor paper up to 18 x 24; drawing pencils (2B,4B,6B); adult scissors; clay tools; water color paints/trays/brushes; drawing boards; sketchbooks; gift cards to University Art, Utretcht, Michael’s, JoAnn’s, Hobby Lobby, NASCO, Blick.

5.) **In-Kind Donations for Children:** Disposable diapers (sizes 3 – 6); baby wipes; baby powder.

**Dates of Drives:** Collection begins 11/01/12 and concludes 12/17/12 at 4 p.m.
**Drop-off location:** 3414 4th Avenue (building rear) 12/17/12 from 8am-4pm or by arrangement.
**Who will benefit?** Women and children of all ages
**Contact:** Yolanda Torrecillas
916.454.9688 ext. 205
Yolanda.wellspring@comcast.net
www.wellspringwomen.org

River City Food Bank

**Description:** Turkey Drive
**Dates:** Now through drop-off dates of Nov.16th, 19th, and 20th
**Drop-off Location:** 1800 28th St. Sacramento CA 95816 or available to pick-up with arrangement.
**Who will benefit:** Hungry families in Sacramento who cannot afford a holiday meal.
**Contact:** Jena Robinson
916.446.2627
jrobinson@rivercityfoodbank.org
www.rivercityfoodbank.org
Sacramento Area Emergency Housing Center

**Description of Drive(s):** travel size toiletries for family shelter, school supplies, clothing, baby supplies, personal hygiene items, toys, blankets, underwear/socks

**Dates of Drive (include final date):** Ongoing

**Drop-off location:** 2411 Alhambra Boulevard Suite 110 Sacramento CA 95817

**Contact:** 916-454-2120

Donations@saehc.org

www.saehc.org

Loaves and Fishes

**Description of Drive(s):** personal hygiene items, baby supplies (formula, diapers), backpacks, tents, sleeping bags, tarps

**Dates of Drive (include final date):** Ongoing

**Drop-off location:** 1351 North C Street Sacramento CA 95811

**Contact:** Chris Delany

916-446-0874

chris@sacloaves.org

www.sacloaves.org

Stanford Youth Solutions

**Description of Drive:** Stuff A Stocking - Fill A Heart holiday drive, you can participate virtually at the virtual holiday store: www.youthsolutions.org or purchase stocking and fill with a minimum of 2 gift cards (department store (Target/Wal-Mart/Amazon), gas, grocery, etc.), Stocking stuffers such as candy, family activities (bowling, movies), deck of cards, lotions, toothpaste, etc. Please do not wrap items, remove price tags, and label the stocking with the age and gender, if applicable. Or simply purchase gift cards and the stocking will be stuffed for you.

**Dates of Drive:** October 23rd-December 7th, 2012

**Drop-off location:** 8912 Volunteer Lane Sacramento CA 95826 or pick-up available

**Who will benefit?** Youth and families who might not otherwise be able to experience a special holiday. 80% of the youth and families we serve live at or below the poverty line.

**Contact:** Liz Shahbazian

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www.youthsolutions.org
Hosting a Work Place Drive? Consider these helpful hints!

- Get the word out as early as possible.
- Use multiple forms of media to inform people about your drive; send e-mails, pass out fliers, put up posters.
- Our organization’s website is www.yourlocalunitedway.org. Link to us from your company or organization’s website!
- Request an electronic version of our logo for print and online publications or find it on our website under www.yourlocalunitedway.org/campaign-coordinators.
- Remind people that you are hosting a drive. Word of mouth is still the cheapest and most effective form of advertising! Let people know that every little bit counts; all donations are appreciated.
- Make sure your collection containers are easily accessible to all potential donors.
- Adorn your container with decorations to draw attention. Wrap it like a giant gift for a toy collection or hang shoe laces for a shoe drive.
- Motivate your donors! Set a goal and create a visual display showing the progress of your drive. Cheer donors on as they get closer to the goal. Also suggest people set personal goals, such as donating one day’s worth of school supplies, etc.
- Host a competition such as department vs. department, branch vs. branch, women vs. men, or fraternities vs. sororities.
- Tie donations into promotional offers such as discounts on goods and services.
- Help donors understand where their donations are going.
- Request United Way California Capital Region brochures to have available for donors, encourage people to check out our website.
- Encourage donors to get more involved. Consider talking to us about a group volunteer project. Visit www.yourlocalunitedway.org/volunteer to learn more.