



Tri-City Volunteers

A Helping & Loving Hand For Those In Need.

TCV Over the Holidays: No Scrooges Here!

It is the time of year when homes are adorned with Holiday decor, fireplaces are lit with the comfort of warm, inviting embers, and the air waves are filled with Christmas music. It is also the time when the Spirit of Giving permeates through the hearts of those filled with Holiday cheer. Yet, in this recession, the Spirit of Giving and Light of Hope is hindered by the "Bah Humbugs" and Scrooges of reality.



Fortunately the Spirit of Giving and Light of Hope is strong and thriving at Tri City Volunteers not only during the Holiday Season but all year round! With an increase of families facing hardships and unemployment in this economic downturn, the volunteers at TCV in collaboration with the Fremont Fire Department are bringing joy to children and their families with their annual Holiday Food and Toy Drive.

Donation collection for the Holiday Food and Toy Drive started Friday, November 27 and will continue until Wednesday, December 23. The Fremont Fire Department will be accepting donations of non-perishable food and new, unwrapped toys at all 10 Fire Stations and the Fire Administration Office. TCV will then distribute the donations to the needy families in the Tri-City Area.

Pam Franklin of the Fremont Fire Department shared that even in this economy the Holiday drive is doing pretty well, adding "People come in with donations thrilled and happy to help. Some drop off one item, some even more, and we're just happy for all their donations." This just shows that no matter the quantity of what a person donates, the quality and meaning is the same. The Spirit of Giving is still alive and the Light of hope for a better future continues to brighten the path to a better tomorrow.

At TCV and the Fremont Fire Department, there are no Scrooges around. Rather, the essence of Santa saturates the hearts of the volunteers and TCV is transformed into Santa's Little Workshop. The demand for donations are greatly needed as the numbers of those less fortunate continues to increase. If you would like to help spread Holiday cheer by donating or volunteering, drop off donations at the nearest Fremont Fire Station or at Tri-City Volunteers. May your Holiday Season be filled with happiness!

Thank you for all the support from Tri-City Volunteers!!!

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