

Holiday Adopt-A-Family FAQ

Q: What is Adopt-A-Family?

A: Adopt-A-Family Holiday Gift Giving Program matches families who are currently being served by The Davies Project with community members to provide the children with gifts for the holidays.

Q: How do I Adopt-A-Family?

A: Thank you for your interest in sponsoring a family for the holiday season, we greatly appreciate your generosity! Attached <https://forms.gle/eJRZfeaeXRYwJvFq7> is the link to volunteer.

Q: How are families matched?

A: The link to adopt a family has you fill out a short survey in which you can select preferences for an age range and preferred family size. We will use these results to match you with one of our Davies Project families that you would be best able to support. Please know that we will do our best to match you with a family that best fits your age group request but we cannot guarantee it. We will not match you with a family bigger than you are comfortable supporting.

Q: When will I know what family I am matched with?

A: All matches will be made by December 1st. We will be attempting to match families in a timely manner and you can expect to receive your match within 5 days of filling out the Google form.

Q: What am I expected to provide?

A: We ask that you provide a \$20-30 gift to each child in the family, as well as a hat, scarf, and mittens (or any combination of the three) and a family gift. A family gift can be anything that encourages the family to spend time together. More information on family gifts are included below.

Q: What is a family gift?

A: A family gift can be anything that encourages the family to spend time together. While gifts around the holidays mean a great deal, allowing space for togetherness and the creation of new memories is essential to strengthening family bonds. A family gift could be a board game, movie tickets, a restaurant gift card, a Christmas dinner basket, a craft activity, etc.

Q: My adopted family has children over the age of 16 living in the home. Should I buy presents for them?

A: Children are only eligible if they are living in the home and ages 16 and under. It is up to you to decide if you want to purchase gifts for an older child, but we make it very clear to the families that it is not likely or should not be anticipated.

Q: Can I buy presents for the parents?

A: Yes, you can purchase items for the parents, but it is not required. The family gift is recommended to be something that the whole family including parents can enjoy.

Q: Should the gifts be wrapped?

A: This is up to you! If you choose to wrap the gifts yourself, we would encourage you to include a list of what is included for the parents so they know what their children are receiving. If you choose to not wrap the gifts, we would encourage you to include gift wrap so that the parents can do this themselves.

Q: How do I know what to buy and how much to spend?

A: While reaching out to families they will be asked to provide a wishlist that we will provide to you. We do ask that you stick to a \$20-30 price range per gift per child to provide each family with the same experience.

Q: The family has listed very expensive items on their children's wish lists. Do I need to provide these items?

A: You are not required to purchase these items. We ask that you refrain from providing these items to ensure gifts are equitable between families.

Q: How and when will the gifts be delivered?

A: We have two options for gift deliveries which will take place in mid December. If you are comfortable and available we can provide you with the address for a drop off. If you are unable or wish to remain anonymous you can also drop the gifts off at The Davies Project by December 9th.

Q: What happens if I cannot fulfill my obligation to the family that I have adopted?

A: If you are unable to fulfill your obligation to the family that you have adopted please reach out to maria@thedaviesproject.org at your earliest convenience.

*Please do not hesitate to reach out with further questions at maria@thedaviesproject.org