September, 2021

Canton Parents and Guardians,

It may seem too early for everyone to start thinking about the 2021 holiday season, but not for the Canton Goodfellows! Our Christmas assistance program begins in September, so that we can be in full swing by mid-November with our “No Canton Child Without a Christmas” campaign. If your family is in need of gift/food assistance this holiday season and you have children up to age 18, the Canton Goodfellows organization is here to offer our help. (We only supply gifts for children, not adults.) We assist Canton families, without regard to race or religion, who meet the following guidelines.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES:
1) You must live in Canton. 2) Your children must live with you. 3) Your family must meet the income guidelines for a family of your size (we utilize the current year’s Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Emergency Relief guidelines as a point of reference). 4) Your application must be postmarked by October 15, 2021 and approved by our committee.

APPLICATION INFORMATION:
- Applications WILL NOT be supplied through the schools.
- They will be available beginning September 17, 2021. You can either:
  1) PICK-UP an Application Packet at the Canton Public Library or at the Canton Clerk's Office in the Administration Building OR
  2) PRINT an Application Packet from our website: cantongoodfellows.org
- The Application Packet will contain: a copy of this letter, the Application Instructions, an Application, and a Wish List Form.
- Please fill out each page completely, following the instructions in your packet. All family information supplied to us will remain confidential and will be shredded upon the campaign completion.
- **DO NOT DROP OFF YOUR APPLICATION AT THE CANTON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OR THE CANTON LIBRARY. APPLICATIONS MUST BE MAILED TO THE P.O. Box # LOCATED IN YOUR PACKET.**

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY OCTOBER 15, 2021. This gives our donors more time to shop for gifts.
- Envelopes postmarked after this date WILL NOT be considered for assistance.
- Due to the large amount of applications received each year, we recommend that you get your application in as soon as possible.
- Applications will be analyzed on a first come, first served basis, until our maximum is met.

All families who meet the postmarked deadline can expect to receive a verification post card by November 1, 2021 indicating if your family will or will not receive Canton Goodfellows assistance. All decisions are final. If your family is approved for assistance, your children will receive clothing items and age appropriate gifts/toys. We will also supply your family with gift wrapping paper and tape. In addition, you will receive gift cards for the purchase of food. Approved families will pick up their packages on Saturday, December 11, 2021 from 9AM until NOON, at the Canton Administration Building. All pick-up information will be listed on your approval post card.

Sincerely,

Canton Goodfellows

CONTACTS: cantongoodfellows@gmail.com or 734-664-1044 WEBSITE: cantongoodfellows.org
PART 1 - DOCUMENTS AS PROOF

- Complete CANTON GOODFELLOWS APPLICATION for CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE - Please print clearly.
- We require proof that: 1) You live in Canton, 2) Your children live with you, and 3) Proof of ALL family income, including spouse/partner.
- Below each requirement is a list of acceptable documents as proof. For INCOME & ASSISTANCE, check all that apply and attach proof for each.
- Attach COPIES of documents - NOT ORIGINALS. Documents will not be returned. They will be shredded at the completion of our campaign.
- Sign and date at the bottom of the page.

PART 2 - CHRISTMAS WISH LIST FORM

- Complete CANTON GOODFELLOWS CHRISTMAS WISH LIST FORM - Please print clearly.
- Fill in family information at the top of Page 1. Fill in the VIDEO GAME SYSTEMS WE HAVE section.
- Fill in a section for each child ages birth through 18, starting on Page 1 with CHILD A. Continue on Page 2 if necessary.
  - Fill in each child’s personal information.
  - Fill in each child’s 4 needed clothing items from the list noted below. **DO NOT ASK FOR NAME BRAND CLOTHING.**
    - Pick 4 items from this list only: Coat, Boots, Socks, Pajamas, Underpants & Shirts, Sweats, Shirt, Jeans, Hat & Gloves
  - **VERY IMPORTANT:** You MUST fill in each Child’s Interests and Favorite Color. This helps our donors in purchasing gifts for your child.
  - Fill in section labeled “List ONE wish worth $25-$50”. Do not fill in more than one wish - extras will be disregarded.

NOTE: WE DO NOT SUPPLY COMPUTERS, TABLETS, PHONES, BIKES, SHOES, or BRAS.

PART 3 - CHECKLIST TO MAKE SURE YOU’VE DONE & INCLUDED EVERYTHING

This checklist is for your use only. **DO NOT SEND THIS SHEET IN WITH YOUR APPLICATION.**

- Completed the CANTON GOODFELLOWS APPLICATION for CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE
- Attached all documentation that proves that:  
  - You live in Canton,
  - Your children live with you,
  - Proof of ALL household income
- Signed and dated the bottom of the application
- Completed the CANTON GOODFELLOWS CHRISTMAS WISH LIST FORM

PART 4 - MAILING THE APPLICATION

- All completed forms & documents **must be mailed** to the Canton Goodfellows.
- Do not drop off applications at the Canton Administration Building or Library.
- Applications must be **POSTMARKED BY OCTOBER 15th**.
- Mail your application to: Canton Goodfellows P.O Box 87532 Canton, MI 48187-0532

IMPORTANT NOTE: We share our Approved Families List with local churches and the Salvation Army, to ensure that families do not get assistance from more than one agency.
# 2021 CANTON GOODFELLOWS APPLICATION FOR CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE

Parent/Guardian  LAST NAME ______________________________    FIRST NAME _____________________________    # of Children 18 & Under ___
Spouse/Partner     LAST NAME ______________________________   FIRST NAME _____________________________         OR     □ Not Applicable

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS AS PROOF OF RESIDENCE & INCOME**

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I certify that the information that I have provided is current and I understand that my name will be shared with other local assistance organizations. SIGNATURE: _____________________________ DATE: ___________
**2021 CANTON GOODFELLOWS CHRISTMAS WISH LIST FORM**

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**Circle:** BOY GIRL

**Age (in December):**

**Birthdate:**

**Disability, if any:**

**School:**

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**WHAT 4 CLOTHING ITEMS DOES YOUR CHILD NEED? ..... PICK FROM THIS LIST ONLY**

**GIRL’S DEPARTMENTS:** Infant, Toddler, Girls, Juniors, Women’s.

**BOY’S DEPARTMENTS:** Infant, Toddler, Boys, Husky, Men’s

**WRITE THE 4 ITEMS BELOW.** Include Size & the Department to shop in.

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IF YOU NEED MORE SPACE, ATTACH ANOTHER SHEET WITH ALL OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION