



Media Release

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Bring Joy into the Lives of Children this Season

Walkerton, ON: Do you want to bring joy into lives of children this holiday season? The Dorrell Young Christmas program of the Human Services Department annually facilitates the generosity of our local community through the Dorrell Young Christmas Program.

The program seeks private and corporate donations to provide small gifts such as toys, books, mittens or other needed personal items. A recipient of the program last season shared: "I will be forever thankful, whoever cared enough to provide for myself and my children through this stressful time of year will always be remembered as my heroes".

"We encourage the community to come together to support the inclusion of children and their families during the holiday season," says Christine MacDonald, Bruce County's Director of Human Services.

There is opportunity to support the program in a variety of ways including:

- Monetary donations, in any amounts are accepted. Any donations of \$20 or more are eligible for a tax receipt; or
- Unwrapped gifts or gift cards suitable for a child or teenager can be delivered to any Human Services location; or
- Direct sponsorship of a child or family matched through the program; or
- Volunteering in the program delivery.

In 2018, the number of children, teens and their families supported has grown to over 500.

For more information about, visit www.brucecounty.on.ca/strategic-community-initiatives-funding.

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