

METRO AREA & ST. CROIX COUNTY HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAMS

Organization	Program	Description	Contact Info
Metro Area			
The Food Group	Fare for All	Thanksgiving AND Holiday food program (cost \$30 each); express sites around twin cities, will be changing location every week. Check online at www.fareforall.org or call to see when they are in your area.	763-450-3880
United Way	Resource directory for holiday food, toys, gifts or related	United Way receives information from organizations that are providing Holiday food, toys or gifts. Call 2-1-1 or 651-291-0211. They will search for programs within your zip code.	2-1-1 651-291-0211
Salvation Army	Toy Shop	For children up to age 14, LIVING IN Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, Sherburne, Washington, and Wright counties. Online registration takes place November 1 through December 1, 2023 / Monday through Friday, 9 am – 4 pm. (closed Thanksgiving and the day after Thanksgiving.) Must register by phone and obtain an appointment. Documents required include Picture ID for adult and ID for each child in the household, such as Social Security card, Medical card, or school ID. You cannot be registered for any other toy program, such as Toys for Tots. Register online at salvationarmynorth.org/toyshop .	651-746-3595
St. Croix County			
Operation H.E.L.P.	Holiday Program	Children can be sponsored to receive holiday gifts; 0-18 years old; must live in the Hudson, WI School District Pre-registration required. Signup begins 10/17 thru 11/18/22 online with distribution 12/8/22. Website: https://operationhelpstcroix.org	715-386-1300

WASHINGTON COUNTY HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAMS

Organization	Program	Description	Contact Info
Elim Lutheran Church - Food Shelf	Food program	Serving Scandia, Marine and May Township communities. Located at 20971 Olinda Trail North in Scandia	651-433-2723 by appt
Open Cupboard (Woodbury, Oakdale, Landfall, and South Maplewood)	Thanksgiving Dinner Distribution AND Holiday gift program	Must register in advance. 7380 Afton Road, Woodbury. Must live in Woodbury, Landfall, Oakdale, Maplewood south of Stillwater Road Thanksgiving: Chicken and veggies basket. Christmas: Adults/food card Children/gifts. For more info, visit opencupboard.org	651-233-1296
White Bear Lake Emergency Food Shelf	Thanksgiving, Holiday Meal, & Gift Program	Regular curbside grocery distributions open Monday/Tuesdays 4 - 7 p.m. and Wednesday/Thursday/Fridays 11 - 2 p.m. Thanksgiving Meal Distribution "Give a Gobble" - typically the week of Thanksgiving by appointment. Start taking appointments tentatively Nov 1st. See www.whitebearfoodshelf.org for details. Eligibility for WBL school district residents only. WB Lion's Club holiday Toy Distribution-typically on a Saturday in early December, by appointment. Taking appointments Nov 1st-Nov 30th, dependent on donations. Eligibility for WBL school district children ages 0-18 only.	651-407-5310 by appt only
Friends in Need	Food program	Serving Cottage Grove, Newport, St. Paul Park or Grey Cloud Island. By appt only. 535 4th Street in St. Paul Park. Serving residents of Cottage Grove, St. Paul Park, Newport and Grey Cloud Island. Website: www.finfood.org	651-458-0730
Hugo Good Neighbors Food Shelf	Holiday Food Basket, toy distribution	Serving Hugo and zip code 55038. Children served up through age of 18 (school age only). Holiday Food Baskets. Website: HugoFoodShelf.org	651-528-6224
Hastings Family Service	Food Program	Project Share: Adopt-a-Family and Provide a Holiday Meal. Recipients must live in the Hastings School District 200; must bring photo ID, birth certificate or ID for children as well as current utility bill proving address. Adults only or non custodial parents can sign up. Registration will begin in October. Website: hastingsfamilyservice.org	651-437-7134

RAMSEY & DAKOTA COUNTY HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAMS

Organization	Program	Description	Contact Info
Ramsey County			
Merrick Community Services (Serving residents of Maplewood and East Saint Paul)	Meals on Wheels program Toy Distribution	Appointment required. Call (651) 287-2088 for more information or visit https://merrickcs.org to register online. Two locations: 1) Woodland Hills Church 1740 Van Dyke Street in St. Paul [open Wednesdays & Thursdays, 10-11:30 a.m.]; 2) Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church 1669 Arcade Street North, Ste. 4 in St. Paul [open Mondays, 3-5:30 p.m. & Tuesdays, 10-11 a.m.]. For Meals on Wheels program, call (651) 287-2092. Meals delivered Monday-Friday. Holiday Share Toy Distribution for children age up to 17 years old residing in the East side Saint Paul area. https://merrickcs.org	Food Shelf: 651-287-2088 Meals on Wheels: 651-287-2092
White Bear Lake Emergency Food Shelf	Thanksgiving, Holiday Meal, & Gift Program	Regular curbside grocery distributions open Monday/Tuesdays 4 - 7 p.m. and Wednesday/Thursday/Fridays 11 - 2 p.m. Thanksgiving Meal Distribution "Give a Gobble" - typically the week of Thanksgiving by appointment. Start taking appointments tentatively Nov 1st. See www.whitebearfoodshelf.org for details. Eligibility for WBL school district residents only. WB Lion's Club holiday Toy Distribution-typically on a Saturday in early December, by appointment. Taking appointments Nov 1st-Nov 30th, dependent on donations. Eligibility for WBL school district children ages 0-18 only.	651-407-5310 by appt only
Dakota County			
360 Communities - Armful of Love	Holiday Gift Card Program - ONE DAY ONLY (fills up quickly)	Holiday gift card program for families in need. Recipients must reside in Dakota county. Register online ONE DAY ONLY Wednesday, October 11 at https://360communities.org [search for Armful of Love].	952-985-5300
Hastings Family Service	Food Program	Project Share: Adopt-a-Family and Provide a Holiday Meal. Recipients must live in the Hastings School District 200; must bring photo ID, birth certificate or ID for children as well as current utility bill proving address. Adults only or non custodial parents can sign up. Registration will begin in October. Website: hastingsfamilyservice.org	651-437-7134