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### SALVATION ARMY METRO YOUTH BAND TO MARCH IN THE ROSE BOWL PARADE

- WHO:** Salvation Army Metro Youth Band Members
- WHAT:** Leaving for Pasadena, CA, to participate in the 2010 Rose Bowl Parade on January 1, 2010
- WHEN:** Saturday, December 26, 2009  
4 PM
- WHERE:** United Airlines Check-in, Terminal 1  
O'Hare Airport

#### Additional Information

- The Salvation Army Metropolitan Division is one of Chicago's largest providers of music instruction for children, many of whom come from some of the city's poorest neighborhoods.
- The Metro Youth Band draws students from throughout the Metropolitan Division, which includes Greater Chicago, Northern Illinois, and Northwestern Indiana. The average age of the 45 band members is 16.
- The Metro Youth Band will be playing a mix of Broadway tunes, marches, Salvation Army music, and Latin and jazz music as they march in the Rose Bowl Parade. The band also will march in a San Diego parade and perform at the Crystal Cathedral and at Disneyland.
- The mission of the Metropolitan Youth Band is to provide an outlet for young musicians to fellowship with other young musicians while at the same time providing opportunities for musical growth and Christian, community-based service.
- The Salvation Army currently has music programs in eight Chicago Public Schools, where students receive instrumental, vocal, drum line, and keyboard instruction in addition to general classroom music.

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