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### **SALVATION ARMY VOLUNTEERS TO PACKAGE 10,000 CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES FOR PEOPLE IN NEED**

- WHO:** The Salvation Army Metropolitan Division volunteers
- WHAT:** Packaging of 10,000 Christmas food boxes to be distributed to people in need
- WHEN:** Beginning, Saturday, December 4 and continuing until the packing is completed
- WHERE:** The Salvation Army Disaster Services Headquarters, 1000 Pratt Blvd.,  
Elk Grove Village

Volunteers will work Monday through Saturday, 8 AM to 8 PM, packaging boxes containing ham or turkey, fresh potatoes, corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, yams, gravy and stuffing, which will be distributed by The Salvation Army to people in need.

Last year, The Salvation Army Metropolitan Division served 112,710 individuals, distributing a total of 21,444 food baskets, 81,977 toys, and 66,333 articles of clothing during the holiday season.

Holiday food distributions are supported, in large part, by The Salvation Army's Red Kettle fund-raising campaign. With a goal of raising \$12 million, familiar Red Kettles will be on area streets and shopping areas beginning November 19.

The Salvation Army Metropolitan Division is celebrating 125 years of service to people in need in Greater Chicago, Northern Illinois and Northwestern Indiana. Among the programs and services provided are feeding programs for homeless people, children, and seniors; emergency lodging for families and individuals in crisis; disaster relief; senior housing; substance abuse rehabilitation programs; youth programs; spiritual programs and early childhood development services. For information about The Salvation Army, or to volunteer or donate, visit [www.salarmychicago.org](http://www.salarmychicago.org) or call 1-800-SAL-ARMY.

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