



***Join thousands of generous donors in
“Doing the Most Good” for children and
families through The Salvation Army
Angel Tree Program!***

Most of us look forward to receiving gifts over the holidays. Children especially, dream about the wonderful things they hope to find under the tree on Christmas morning. Unfortunately, many children will not have a Christmas tree, much less any presents to open.

That’s where The Salvation Army comes in. Through the Angel Tree program, gifts are provided to children in need who would otherwise be left out on Christmas. Elmhurst Academy will once again participate in this wonderful program.

Beginning Monday, November 25, 2019 through Friday, December 13, 2019 Angel Tree tags will be on display in the main hallway of the school. All you have to do is select an Angel Tree tag from the tree.

It is not necessary to purchase everything that is on the tag unless you wish to do so. Please tape the tag to the unwrapped gift and return to the basket located just outside the school office, no later than Friday, December 13, 2019. We ask that the gifts are not wrapped and if more than one gift is purchased for a child that all gifts are tightly secured to each other so they will not become separated during transport. (It is not necessary to include your personal information at the bottom of tag unless you wish to do so)

*Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Zaccone at
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Thank you for your support and generosity!

Are you wondering – How the Salvation Army receives children’s names to put on the tags? After the gifts are dropped off at the Angel Tree, where do they go? How does the Salvation Army distribute the gifts?

- ❖ *Families in need apply at their local Salvation Army Corps for help with toys and food for Christmas.*
- ❖ *An adult family member interviews with a Salvation Army representative who verifies that the family is truly in need. The representative obtains the names of each child in the family and a list of desired Christmas gifts.*
- ❖ *Information obtained during the interview is printed on the Angel Tree Tags for each individual.*
- ❖ *Generous donors select Angels, purchase gifts and return them unwrapped to the Angel Tree location with the tag attached.*
- ❖ *Upon their return, the gifts are taken to a Salvation Army. Volunteers sort the items and place them in a special “family bag.” Family bags are then shelved according to code numbers making them easy to locate when the family arrives to pick up their gifts.*
- ❖ *During the seven day period before Christmas Eve, families pick up their gifts based on set appointments given during the initial interview process.*

