

# Eveline Rivers Christmas Project



Make A Child Smile, Inc.

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## Hands of Love



### THE HANDS OF LOVE THAT TOUCH THE GIFT!!!!!!!!!!

Recently, at the Christmas Workshop a teacher was working with her young students, in the boxing of the Christmas Gifts that would be distributed to underprivileged children in our area. One child was disgruntled because all that he had done was, "assemble the cardboard box" .....others Packed the gifts into the box. The teacher talked to him about the love in his hands, and those hands had given love to the gift.

The teacher was exactly right. Each set of hands that comes to the workshop is part of the "sharing of love" process. Some volunteers assemble the cardboard boxes, some fringe or hem the blankets, some collect books or stuffed animals, some put the gift items into boxes while others wrap the gifts boxes, or they label the boxes.... And what about the army of volunteers that make sure that each box goes into the correct stack, so that it is ready for delivery day. And finally, the many "sets of hands" who come to the workshop to deliver the gift to the child, on "Delivery Day". Each set of hands shares the love that goes into the package.

Each set of loving hands works toward our overall goal, "**Make a child Smile**". Gentle Blessings, *Eveline*

**Needs List**

- New/Gently Used Stuffed Animals 18-24 inches
- New/Gently Used Coats
- Reading Books K-12
- School Supplies- Crayons, notebook paper, Cleanliness Items- Toothpaste & Soap

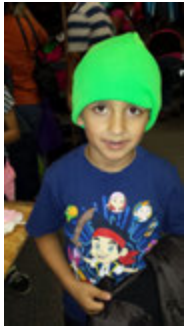
**Other Needs**

Monetary means in order to purchase specific items of clothing for children who are in school & need "self-esteem builders" in order to keep moving forward

**Delivery Day**

December 13, 2014

We don't care if you have a bicycle or a truck hauling a horse trailer, please come and enjoy the gift of sharing, by helping to deliver the gifts we have wrapped, to over 9,000 excited children in our area. Registration begins at 8:30AM.



**SANTA IN THE SUMMER.....WHAT AN INCREDIBLE EVENT!**

Kelly Simpson and Meg Hutchens, our Chairmen for this fun event **OUT DID** themselves. We were encompassed "under and all around" with an array of beautiful decorations, served an excellent meal, which was prepared by the Coors Cowboy Cooking Team, entertained by "Velvet Funk"... our band, enticed with Huge, both "Live and Silent Auctions", excited by the suspense of the Casino, and all of this shared with the happiness and gathering of friends and family. This event helps us to purchase our beginning supply of coats, hats and gloves, some of our toys, and pay for the fleece for our blankets. With your support of **Santa in the Summer**, we begin our process toward making approximately 9000 children smile during the holiday season, through their gift boxes, and you WARM approximately 4500 children with warm winter coats, hats and gloves. Please put us on your calendar for August 22, 2015 of next year....we want you to help us to "Make a child Smile". AND BECOME A MAJOR DONOR OF THIS FUN EVENT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**DESIRE AND DETERMINATION SOLVED THE "NEED"**

The EMPLOYEES OF XCEL ENERGY DONNED THEIR "IMAGINERY ELF HATS AND WENT TO WORK". It is Holiday time and their giving spirit, "kicked in", actually as it does year round, by this outstanding, community minded company. **The Eveline Rivers Christmas Workshop's** supply of reading books and stuffed animals, along with additional toys was "critically low", the first part of October. The ELVES went into action. Collection barrels were put out at all employee locations, which I am told, were over flowing when picked up, and monetary donations were collected for a "books and stuffed animal" shopping spree to be carried out by a group of Xcel employees. IF you could have seen their delivery trailer, you would have thought that Toys R Us, Kohl's and PETSMART, which is where they shopped, must have been "cleaned out" of books and stuffed animals. This company's determination helped us to fulfill our desire to provide reading books to homes that "have no books", and to have that cuddly, stuffed animal that becomes the child's "best friend". Thank you **XCEL ENERGY** for Caring and Sharing!

Thank you for supporting Eveline Rivers Christmas Project

\_\_\_\$500 \_\_\_\$250 \_\_\_\$100 \_\_\_\$50 \$\_\_\_\_\_ Other

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