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Dear Christmas Adopt-A-Family Sponsor:

Thank you for choosing to sponsor a family for Christmas this year. **The guidelines for our 2017 Christmas program have changed to place focus on children 16 years and younger.** The wish list you receive shows **four** wishes of the children in the household **under the age of 16.**

**Children 0–16 years of age:** Please provide new gifts for each child in the household. We have provided 4 wishes per child. You are asked to provide **ONLY** what you are comfortable providing. We have discouraged the children from requesting expensive electronics and other gifts. If you purchase a gift that requires batteries, please provide the batteries needed. We have asked for more than one Christmas wish for each child so that you have choices. **You do not need to purchase all the items on their list**, but you are welcome to purchase as much as you like. We do not place a limit on what you can provide.

**Children over the age of 16:** Should you wish to purchase items for those 16 & 17 years of age, we suggest gift cards from such places as iTunes, Game Stop, Simon Mall, and/or Walmart. If you would like for more specific ideas we are happy to provide that information.

**Adults: Anyone 18 and older,** items such as toiletries and cleaning supplies are items that our families cannot purchase with food stamps. (Toiletries – shampoo, toilet paper, bar soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotion, razors, shaving cream; Cleaning supplies – laundry detergent, dish soap, floor cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, paper towels, dish rags, all-purpose cleaner) Other suggestions for adults and again this is **completely optional** are food or grocery gift cards. You are welcome to provide a non-perishable food basket for the family.

We ask that all gifts be wrapped and tagged with the recipient's name (except for the food, cleaning supplies and toiletries). Leave the **FROM:** section of the gift tag blank so that the parent can put whatever they like on the tag, such as from Santa, Mom and Dad. This small gesture means so much to the parents.

**Delivery of gifts: We ask that you deliver the gifts directly to your family. As we assist some 200 families, it is impossible for Anna's House to make deliveries for you. We appreciate your understanding.** Please deliver gifts to your family on or before December 18, 2017, or have made arrangements for a delivery date **prior to Christmas Eve.**

Please call the family to arrange delivery of your gifts. If there is no adult in the household that speaks English, you may ask our interpreter to setup a delivery time for you (**see below**). Many of the adults will have prepaid cell phones that run out of minutes. If you get a message that the phone is not working, you might wait a day or so and try again. If you cannot reach the family, please contact us and we can try to talk to them when they are picking up their food on Saturday morning at Anna's House.

As you are delivering your gifts, please keep in mind that the children might not know that you are providing Christmas gifts for the family. The adults might want you to deliver when the children are not at home.

**Spanish Interpreter:** You may ask our interpreter to call the family for you to arrange your delivery. When you contact the interpreter, please include your name and phone number, as well as the number in the top right of your wish list (this number identifies your family), and a few choices of days and times that you would like to deliver the gifts. You may call or email

**Leticia** at 317-200-7137 or [Christmas@lordspantry.org](mailto:Christmas@lordspantry.org)

Thank you again for sponsoring a family this Christmas. Some of the children would miss the joy of Christmas morning if not for your generosity.

Once you have arranged delivery, please send an email to [Christmas@lordspantry.org](mailto:Christmas@lordspantry.org) or call Leticia to let us know the scheduled delivery date.

**This final step is very important as it allows us to keep track that everyone is set for Christmas. We do not want to hassle you with phones calls if not necessary.**