

Heart to Heart will once again offer assistance to families in need this Christmas through the support provided by First Community Church.

Again, this year, the program will be organized by our longtime volunteer, Kitty Rohrer, with assistance from Rebecca Wolfe and Pat Porterfield. We are extremely grateful for their time and effort that will go into coordinating the program.

In response to feedback, we have received on the Christmas program in the past couple of years, we have made some adjustments to make the program run more smoothly. Most notably, no sponsor contact with recipient families will be required.

However, this means we will accept donations of gift cards only, in any amount from these four retailers: Amazon, Walmart, Target, or Meijer.

Tax-deduction receipts for these gift card donations will not be made available from the church. We will not accept cash donations to purchase gift cards. Any cash donations made to Heart to Heart between now and the end of the year will go toward the operating costs of the food pantry and will not be used for special programs. However, gift card donations can begin immediately, and the donations will be held until we are ready to distribute them to recipient families.

You may mail gift cards to:

First Community Church Attn: Heart to Heart Holiday Help 1320 Cambridge Blvd. Columbus OH 43212 We have already begun to collect gift cards, and will continue to collect them through December 15.

You may drop off gift cards at the reception desk at either First Community location during office hours. There is a locked ballot box for the gift cards which will be emptied regularly for safekeeping.

South office hours	North office hours
M-F 9 am – 4 pm	M-F 8 am – 5 pm
Sun 9 am – 12 pm	Sun 9 am – 1 pm

We will begin to accept recipients into the program on November 1. We will accept 120 families, regardless of number of children. Once the number of families accepted reaches 120, we will close the program, regardless of the date. Each family will be given \$150 per child in gift cards to the retailer that best suits their needs.

If you need more information, please get in touch:

Email: hearttoheart@FCchurch.com Phone: 614.488.0681 ext. 257

Volunteers: Kitty Rohrer, Pat Porterfield, Rebecca Wolfe

While we understand it may be more fun to purchase, wrap, and donate toys, clothes, and other gifts for kids, we are not staffed to run a project of this magnitude. If you're interested in donating this way, we have several suggestions:

- Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots toysfortots.org
- Salvation Army salvationarmyusa.org/usn/brighten-the-holidays/
- Volunteers of America Adopt-a-Family voaohin.org/adopt-a-family