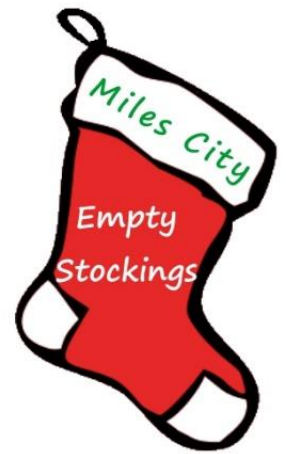


The Miles City Empty Stockings Program is a 501(c)3 volunteer organization that provides assistance during the holidays to: 1) children of low-income families, 2) disabled or homeless adults, and 3) the elderly in the Miles City community. Gifts provided by the program are donated from our local community members and businesses.



WE HAVE MADE SEVERAL CHANGES FOR 2017, SO PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

Families with Children

- ✓ Families with children will NOT have an application to fill out in advance this year! (paperwork will be filled out upon check-in at the event)
- ✓ We will be running the program as a shopping day on **December 9th from 10 am – 2 pm in the old Texas Club building (716 Main St.)** Parents will be able to choose from a variety of items for their kids and a wrapping station will be available if you wish to use it afterwards!
- ✓ Join our event on the Miles City Empty Stockings Facebook page to receive reminders!
- ✓ It is up to you if you bring your kids with you—if you do, that means they will be picking out gifts with you, so they’ll know what they’ll be getting for Christmas.
- ✓ There will be an annual household income cap based on family size (see income eligibility chart below. Applicants must bring a copy of their 2016 Tax Return (not W-2’s) for proof of income and household size. We will not keep the copy.
- ✓ If you do not file taxes due to disability or social security income, please bring one other document for proof of public assistance, Section 8 housing, WIC, or food stamps.
- ✓ If you do not meet the income requirements, but have faced an unforeseen hardship or your income situation has changed since filing taxes, please provide an explanation or additional documentation (such as most recent paystub) at check-in.
- ✓ We will not allow “subs” to come pick out gifts for another family’s kids.

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Max. Annual Income	\$22,311	\$30,044	\$37,777	\$45,510	\$53,243	\$60,976	\$68,709	\$76,442	\$84,175	\$91,908
For each additional member add \$7,733										

Adults

- ✓ Adult applications for disabled, homeless or elderly will be available at the Miles City Public Library and the Miles City Chamber of Commerce.
- ✓ Adults can apply for grocery and/or utility assistance, as well as other special requests; however, we can not guarantee that special requests will be fulfilled.
- ✓ The postmark deadline for this application is December 9, 2017, or it can be dropped off during the shopping event at the Texas Club on the 9th. Adult applications will also be available to be filled out during the shopping day.

Want to donate?

Donations can be dropped off at the old Texas Club building (716 Main St) on Sunday, December 3rd from 2-5 pm or Monday, December 4th from 12-6 pm

We are in need of:

- ✓ New clothing for newborn to 18 year old boys and girls (i.e. shirts, pants, underwear, socks, pajamas, boots/shoes, winter gear, etc.)
- ✓ New books for ages 0-18 years
- ✓ We will also accept new toys for all ages; however, we need the above items much more!
 - Exception! If you come across any fun gifts for teenagers, please send them our way!
- ✓ Monetary donations – used to purchase grocery gift certificates for each family, utility assistance for adults, as well as any gift items we are short on. Checks can be dropped off during the donation times or mailed to the address below.
- ✓ Your time! We would love to have some extra hands helping sort through items the week of December 3rd, as well as volunteers to assist with shopping on December 9th. Please contact us using any of the methods below for more details!
- ✓ Thank you for caring for our community!

If you have any questions, or know of anyone homebound in need of an application, please contact us using the information below.

Sincerely,

Miles City Empty Stockings board of directors

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