



**YWCA Kalamazoo**

# Holiday Giving Opportunities

## Assist-A-Family

*Sign up to assist a family in need!*

Assist-A-Family is our primary effort to meet the holiday gift needs of the clients we serve and their immediate families. Our advocates have created online profiles for client families with their demographic information and holiday wishlists. Community members can match with a family by visiting the link and clicking the "select now" button:  
<https://www.roonga.com/2023ywcazoo>

## Client Holiday "Store"

**December 17th – 30th, 2023**

*Donate new and unwrapped gift items for all ages, including teens and adults.*

The free holiday store features general gifts for YWCA clients and their immediate families whose needs are not met through Assist-A-Family. This includes new clients, shelter residents, and families seeking safety in emergency situations.

## Client Holiday Party

**Last week before Christmas**

*Volunteer support or donate treats, decorations, and holiday craft supplies.*

Open to all YWCA Kalamazoo clients to enjoy treats, meet Santa, make crafts and play games. While there will be freebies, this party is for fun, and not intended to provide families with their full holiday wish lists.

**Critical Needs:** In addition to the above holiday giving opportunities, we continue to be in critical need of:

- New hats, gloves, scarves, coats and boots for adults and children of all ages and sizes
- New pillows, warm blankets and twin size sheet sets for shelter residents
- Personal care products like soap, toothpaste, deodorant, and especially hair conditioner, textured hair products, and lotion for dry skin.
- Diapers and pull ups of all sizes
- Gift cards to local retailers (Meijer, Target, Walmart, Home Goods, etc)

Donations can be dropped off at YWCA Kalamazoo, 353 E. Michigan Avenue on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 9am and 5pm.

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