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## Salvation Army in Escondido Urgently Needs Your Help To Make Christmas Special for Local Families In Need

The Salvation Army in Escondido is facing one its greatest challenges ever.

More than **850 families – a record number** – have asked for our holiday support this year. These Escondido-area residents have applied for **Christmas Blessing Baskets** of food. They are counting on The Salvation Army to make the difference between scarcity and a semblance of comfort for themselves and their children.

To add to the challenge, we need **3,000 more toys** so we can fulfill our promise to provide these families with gifts for each child ages 12 and under. **We must have all the canned food and toys by December 15**, so we can have everything ready for the appointments that start December 18.

“We urgently need our community partners and supporters to help us make Christmas a great memory for each family,” said Major David Ebel, Corps Officer of The Salvation Army serving the Escondido, San Marcos and Rancho Bernardo area. “In this distressed economy, we are collecting fewer donations than ever, while we are receiving record numbers of requests for assistance.”

The Salvation Army welcomes donations of canned goods (what would you like to have for your own Christmas dinner?) and toys. For those who would prefer, donations in cash or check may be directed to the Escondido headquarters at 1301 Las Villas Way, Escondido, CA 92026. Of course, donations also may be dropped in any Salvation Army kettle.

Visa, MasterCard, or debit donations may be made at the kettle in front of Fry’s Electronics, 150

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Bent Avenue, San Marcos, CA 92069 Monday through Friday, and Saturdays at Major Market in Escondido, 1855 S. Center City Pkwy, Escondido, CA 92025.

All donations made in North County will be invested in the North County area.

For more information, please call:

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Can you hear it? It's my virtual Red Kettle to help The Salvation Army meet thousands of needs locally this Holiday Season. Just click the link below to support This vital work... and Merry Christmas!!

[http://give.salvationarmyusa.org/site/TR/RedKettleCampaigns/RedKettle?team\\_id=21560&pg=team&fr\\_id=1270&et=42rzgQUxzLw8-iN1PXPq1w..&s\\_tafId=16002](http://give.salvationarmyusa.org/site/TR/RedKettleCampaigns/RedKettle?team_id=21560&pg=team&fr_id=1270&et=42rzgQUxzLw8-iN1PXPq1w..&s_tafId=16002)

