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Orange County Firefighters Collecting Toys for "Spark of Love" Toy Drive

Irvine, CA - With the holidays approaching, the Orange County Fire Authority is partnering with ABC7 in support of the "Spark of Love" Toy Drive. OCFA firefighters, along with all Southern California firefighters, are collecting new, unwrapped toys for underprivileged children. Fire stations will be collecting toys, sporting goods, and gift cards for boys and girls up to 18 years of age from November 21 through December 24, 2016. All donated gifts will be given to disadvantaged children throughout Southern California during the month of December.

You can take your new, unwrapped toy, sporting goods, or gift cards to your local fire station between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. until Dec. 24. Checks should be made payable to the *Orange County Toy Collaborative* in care of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Council of Orange, 1505 E. 17th Street, Suite 109, Santa Ana, CA 92705.

The OCFA, Southland Firefighters, ABC7, and the U.S. Marine Corps *Toys for Tots* program will also be sponsoring the "Stuff-a-Bus" toy collection event at the Honda Center in Anaheim on Friday, Dec 16 from 4:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

For more information about the "Spark of Love" Toy Drive, please call Alexa Pratt at (949) 526-1189.

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