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"2011 Holiday Toys for Kids in Need"

The City of Ocoee Police Department is pleased to announce that the 2011 "Holiday Toys for Kids in Need" drive was a huge success. The success of this program depends on contributions made by the City of Ocoee citizens and businesses.

On December 16, 2011, the Department's "Holiday Toys for Kids in Need" drive began distributing donated toys to approximately 600 needy children who pre-registered. The new toys were collected from generous citizens or purchased through monies donated by citizens and local businesses or raised from various fundraisers. This program was started in 1984 to give toys and holiday treats to underprivileged children. This is a true example of the Ocoee Police Department joining with the community to achieve a greater good.

Numerous Ocoee police officers participated in several fund raisers for the *"Holiday Toys for Kids in Need"*, including "Shop with a Cop", with Wal-Mart donations of \$3,000 worth of gift cards to needy children, and the Ocoee Founder's Day Festival Poker Run for classic cars and motorcycles.

The Ocoee Police Department would like to thank all the business community sponsors who participated with the charity event including Health Central with employee toy donations, the Lions Club with food basket donations.

Many City of Ocoee employees, family and volunteers donated their time to the "Holiday Toys for Kids in Need" drive to ensure the success of the program. Since there are no administrative costs, 100% of the proceeds benefit the children and citizens of our community. The program reached approximately four-hundred families this year and some families also received food baskets.

Again the City of Ocoee Police Department would like to thank everyone who donated money, food, toys or contributed their time to 2011 "Holiday Toys for Kids in Need" drive.