

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

Christmas Smiles application process for parents and guardians of Moraine children has changed.

Every year we strive to improve how the program runs. Listed below are new changes made to application and pick-up processes for parents or guardians.

#### **Qualifying for the Program**

- School age child must be on free or reduced lunch program through their school. Qualifications for the free or reduced lunch program will be validated through his or her school.
- Each child must be a Moraine resident.
- Each child must be between the ages of newborn to 17 at the time of application.

#### **Apply IN PERSON**

Parent or guardian must apply in person at the Municipal Building

- Saturdays October 4 or October 11 from 12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. or
- Mondays October 6 or 13 from 6:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
- Applications will not be accepted over the phone or in written form.
  - You must bring proof of Moraine residency with parent or guardian's name on the document. Acceptable proof is a
    water, gas or electric bill in your name with your current address listed on the bill. Your utility bill must be dated
    within 30 days prior to the application date or it will not be accepted.

# Cable bills, insurance statements, tax receipts, etc. will not be accepted as proof of residency.

- You must bring your photo ID. Parent or guardian must have a picture ID such as a Driver's License or State Issued ID.
- Parent or guardian must bring an official certified birth certificate or court issued documentation of custody for each child.
- Please have shirt, pants and shoe sizes and a list of items each child would like for Christmas. We cannot guarantee the child will receive items listed.
- o Christmas Smiles cannot give out high-end electronic items like iPods, cell phones, or game systems.

# **Notification**

- Parent or guardian will be notified by mail if application is accepted.
- If accepted, a postcard will be sent in the mail the last week in November as a reminder to pick up gift boxes.

### Pick-Up

- Parent Pick-Up day is December 20 at the Gerhardt Civic Center from 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
- In order to pick-up your gift box, YOU MUST BRING:
  - o Picture ID.
  - The reminder post card received by the parent or guardian.
     NOTE: All IDs and post cards will be checked. If IDs and post cards are not present at the time of pick-up, the gift box will not be given.
- All gifts that are not picked up on December 20 will be donated to a local charity.

For more information, phone Kim Wallace at 535-1002 or Grace Neal at 535-1062.