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Annual Gift Giving Drive Will Benefit Fred Jordan Mission

By JORI STERN

(Nov 16, 2006) With 2006 nearing it's end, and another year approaching quickly it's time for the annual Fred Jordan Mission Holiday Gift Giving Drive, coming up Dec. 17.

To celebrate the event and open house, gift tag distribution is happening this Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Gateway Building 3rd floor. Additional days have been added through Nov. 21.

Drop off a gift anytime during business hours, Nov. 27 through Dec. 6, at the Diversity and Economic Opportunity Department on the 13th floor.

In addition to toys, donations of new unwrapped gifts can include blankets, games, backpacks, pencils and paper, soccer balls, basketballs, raingear and even canned goods. The deadline is Dec. 6 at 4 p.m.

Gift tags also will be available for employees at the Regional Rebuild Center and at participating divisions. Gift Giving coordinators at each location will have information about the toy drive.

"Hopefully we can get one gift from every employee in the whole agency; I would

like that to be our goal," says Tashai Smith, Gift Giving Drive coordinator.

Volunteer are needed to help with distribution of toys, Sunday, Dec 17, at the Fred Jordan Mission. In prior years, toys and food bags wee prepared for up to 10,000 children and their parents.

For further information, contact Elizabeth Pulido at 922-2603.



Pick up your 'gift giving tag' on Friday, at the first open house of the season. Below, Gift Giving Drive poster decks the Metro halls to remind us to pick up our gift tags in time to deliver new and unwrapped gifts to the 13th floor by Wednesday, Dec. 6.



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