

The LARS Holidays of Hope Program?

Each year the LARS family of donors, partners and friends comes together to provide groceries and gifts to more than 250 families and senior citizens during the months of November and December. We also fulfill the holiday wish lists for nearly 500 children.



The LARS Holidays of Hope Program has three components:

**Adopt–A–Family Program:** LARS clients apply to have their children’s Christmas wish list filled by our donors. Instead of random gifts, each child’s wish list includes their specific likes and dislikes, interests, wants and needs. Donors deliver wrapped gifts to LARS; we call the adopted families to pick-up their gifts and BOOM...hope is given!

**Christmas Afternoon Program:** Some LARS families either chose not to be adopted or do not meet eligibility requirements; however, they can attend our in-person holiday event, held the Saturday before Christmas, to receive “loose” gifts for their families. Donors provide gift cards and unwrapped gifts, such as books, games and toys for children aged one to 18.

**Holiday Food Baskets:** LARS clients can request holiday food baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas. These Food Baskets contain groceries for traditional holiday dinners, including turkey, ham, fresh produce and more.

Last year, our donors were incredible:

- More than 250 families had groceries for holiday meals
- More than 350 children received gifts thru our Adopt-A-Family program and the Christmas Afternoon Program

How you can participate in the LARS Holidays of Hope

1. Adopt-A-Family
2. Give loose gifts and gift cards
3. Donate traditional holiday foods or grocery store gift cards
4. Contribute cash and LARS will do the shopping for you
5. Schedule some time to volunteer at LARS

[Join the Holidays of Hope Program Today!](#)

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