

# Christmas Appeal Donations



## Dear Supporters

As we approach the festive season, we are reminded of the joy that comes from giving — not just gifts, but the comfort, hope, and support that can truly change someone's day, or even their life. This Christmas, we at IFYS are reaching out to our wonderful community to help us bring that joy to the individuals and families we support.

Every year, your generosity has brought smiles and relief to people who may otherwise face a difficult holiday season. From young people navigating the challenges of living independently for the first time, to families struggling to make ends meet, and children in foster care who deserve to experience the magic of Christmas — your kindness has always made a profound impact.

**This year, we're inviting you once again to join us in making the season a little brighter for those in need. Here's how you can help:**

### **Gifts for Our Young People**

Many of the young people we support are moving towards independence after overcoming significant hardships. Gifts like gift cards are always a winner, allowing them the choice and freedom to choose something special for themselves, practical items like grocery vouchers and toiletries can help them feel a sense of stability. Personal touches like a festive treat can bring a smile and show that someone cares.

### **Gifts for Families**

The families we work with often struggle to put food on the table, let alone purchase Christmas gifts. You can help by donating grocery gift cards, festive food hampers, or fun family games to bring them together during this special time. Your contributions can transform their Christmas into a moment of connection and warmth.

### **Gifts for Children in Foster Care**

Children in foster care often experience a Christmas that's very different from their peers. Thoughtful gifts like books, art supplies, educational toys, or age-appropriate games can bring joy to a child who has been through so much. Your support helps show them that they are loved, valued, and remembered.



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## How You Can Make a Difference

### Donate Gifts:

New, unwrapped gifts can be dropped off at our offices or participating community centres.

### Gift Cards:

If you're unsure what to give, gift cards to stores like Toyworld, Big W, or grocery retailers are always appreciated and allow families to purchase what they truly need.

### Cash Donations:

If you prefer, you can make a direct donation to IFYS, which will be used to purchase gifts and essentials for our clients.

### Spread the Word:

Share this message with your friends, family, and colleagues. The more people who join us in giving, the more lives we can touch this holiday season.

This Christmas let's come together to give the gift of comfort, warmth, and hope to those who need it most. Your support, no matter how big or small, will make a difference.

Thank you for being part of our community and for considering how you can help bring joy to someone's Christmas this year. Together, we can create a brighter, kinder holiday season.

Your generosity, no matter the gift, will bring comfort and joy to those facing hardship this Christmas. Thank you for your support!

*With heartfelt gratitude,*

**The IFYS Team**

