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OCPD GEARS UP FOR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS NEEDY DRIVE

The Ocean City Police Department Christmas Needy Drive Distribution is right around the corner and the Ocean City community is getting together again to lend their support to families in need. This effort, which began by Chief Bernadette DiPino several years ago, will be organized by members of the OCPD with help from several Ocean City residents, local organizations and businesses.



The Department has already begun to see the generosity of the community as toy donations as well as monetary donations have started to arrive at the Public Safety Building. Unwrapped, new toys may be brought directly to the lobby of the 65th Street Public Safety Building and checks or cash contributions can be sent to the Office of the Chief.

The OCPD Public Affairs Office is also accepting names of children or families that are in need of assistance this holiday season. In order to qualify for assistance, families must be Ocean City residents or employed in Ocean City. Please contact 410.520.5395 for more information about how to participate in the Ocean City Christmas Needy Drive Distribution.

The distribution will take place on Saturday, December 19, 2009 at 8:00 a.m. The OCPD is asking that all donations be made by Friday, December 18, 2009. For more information on you can donate or if you would like to volunteer during the distribution, please contact Jessica King at 410.520.5395.

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Quite often, citizens' hunches turn out to be valuable information to us. If you have information that you feel we should know, we encourage you to leave us e-mail. OCPD@ococean.com