



# 45th Annual Share Our Selves



Since its inception, Share Our Selves has helped families in need of extra support during the holidays thanks to our generous donors. This holiday season marks the 45<sup>th</sup> year of the SOS Adopt A Family Program. This wonderful holiday tradition supports many struggling Orange County families by providing gifts and food for the holidays. This year, the Adopt A Family Program will help over 1,100 families with children; these families are recommended by Costa Mesa and Santa Ana organizations and schools.

To participate, we ask that you: Adopt A Family, Hold A Toy Drive, Hold A Food Drive, Volunteer, and/or Provide A Financial Donation. Please return the form below before **December 10**. We will send the relevant information (children's ages, sizes, and special requests they may have) back to you. We work with families of all sizes, from single parents with one child to large blended families sharing an apartment, so we can accommodate almost any request.

When you adopt a family we ask you to provide both Christmas gifts & dinner. You choose the family size, but you must provide at least two new gifts for each child (some donors provide more and may include something for the adults, but this is not required). Gift cards to stores like Payless Shoes and Target are also fine. When providing Christmas dinner, please buy gift cards for frozen goods, turkeys and perishables and purchase other holiday food items or consider providing gift cards for a complete Christmas dinner. Additional food and grocery gift cards are always welcome.

With the exception of groups adopting multiple families, donations must be delivered to the Orange County Fair and Event Center, on **Thursday, December 18, 2014 between 8:00 am - 11:00 am**. It is essential that contributions be dropped off by the listed times as recipient organization pick-ups begin shortly thereafter (groups adopting 4 or more families will be contacted with drop off information for the 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup>).

For further information, please call Vanessa Ontiveros at 949.270.2187 or email [AAF2014@shareourselves.org](mailto:AAF2014@shareourselves.org).

**Complete, clip, and either mail to SOS Adopt A Family Program, 1550 Superior Ave, Costa Mesa, CA 92627**

**OR fax to SOS Adopt A Family Program, 949.515.5804 OR email to [AAF2014@shareourselves.org](mailto:AAF2014@shareourselves.org)**

I / We would like to help in the following ways: (please check boxes)

- Provide **BOTH** food (or grocery gift cards) for a complete dinner for a family and at least two new gifts for every child.
- Provide only new gifts (at least two) for each child in a family.
- Conduct a toy drive or bring extra toys/gifts on December 15 between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm or between 8:00 am and 12:00 pm on December 16.
- Conduct a food drive or bring extra food or grocery gift cards on December 15 between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm or between 8:00 am and 12:00 pm on December 16 (no perishables).
- Volunteer on December 16, 17, or 18 (circle date).
- Help with deliveries using my large van or truck the morning of December 18.
- I cannot adopt a family, but have enclosed a check for SOS Adopt A Family to purchase gifts, food or gift cards.
- I cannot adopt a family, but please charge my credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for SOS Adopt A Family shoppers.

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I/We would like to adopt \_\_\_\_\_ (# of) families, with \_\_\_\_\_ (# of) adults & \_\_\_\_\_ (# of) children in **each** family.

Teenagers OK: yes no Special Requests \_\_\_\_\_

Details on your "adopted family" will be available after November 10.

**How would you prefer we contact you with information on your "adopted family":** Email Fax Mail

Donor/Group Name \_\_\_\_\_ Contact (if group) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for generously giving the gift of hope this Holiday Season. You make a difference in our community!**

