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Dear Editor:

We would like to thank those in the local communities who supported the recent Holiday Wish List drive run by Tredyffrin & Easttown Care. Because of generous community members, we were able to provide holiday cheer for 23 local families (with 55 kids) who are grateful for the caring support they received. Over 30 boxes of food, over \$3000 in gift cards, as well as numerous jumbo gift bags filled with toys, books, winter coats, sweaters, and household items, were sorted, wrapped and delivered to the families. In addition to normal holiday presents, there were some larger items, including four vacuums, two bikes, a microwave and a mini-refrigerator. Donations of tickets were offered to treat a few family members to a Flyers game, a Villanova basketball game and High School Musical On Ice. A generous family even surprised one family with their first car - which will open up many new opportunities for them. In sending thanks, one mom recently commented, "Your support has given us so much encouragement. It promotes me to do better for my family. I think differently now."

Please note that we have started a new program in which T&E Care will help community members sell unwanted items on eBay or Craig's List. For those who have decent items around the house they no longer need – they can check out our website (www.TECare.org) for further details. And if someone is upgrading their computer/printer, we ask that they please don't throw out the old one without first confirming our needs on the website!

For those not familiar with our local, non-profit group helping local families, they can visit our website for information and future requests for help, as well as to sign up for our email notification list.

Difficult situations can happen to anyone at anytime. Please know that in and around Tredyffrin and Easttown, your generous support is very much appreciated to those in need. Happy holidays to all!

From:

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