



Dear Potential Winter Wonderland Sponsors, Donors, or Volunteers,

As the holiday season approaches, the Veterans Service Commission of Stark County is reaching out to the community with a heartfelt request regarding the Winter Wonderland Veterans Christmas Program. This impactful program is dedicated to ensuring that every veteran who has served our country experiences the warmth and joy of Christmas. However, we need your assistance to make this possible.

Each year, Wish Trees are placed at various sponsored locations across Stark County, adorned with tags representing the Christmas wishes of veterans and their dependents. For many of these brave men and women, this program provides the only gifts they will receive during the holidays. It is crucial that every Wish Tag on the Wish Trees is fulfilled, and this is where we need your support.

We are calling on the community and organizations to sponsor the Wish Tags that are not taken from the trees. By committing to fulfill a certain number of tags, you can help us bring smiles and happiness to those who have given so much for our country. Your sponsorship will ensure that no veteran is forgotten during this festive season.

The program relies heavily on the generosity of community sponsors and partnerships. Without this vital support, our efforts would not be possible. In addition to sponsoring Wish Tags, we are always in need of Christmas wrapping paper, monetary donations, or in-kind contributions for the Winter Wonderland holiday event. This event is the culmination of the program, where the gifts are collected in a festive environment that includes a delicious meal, entertainment, and fellowship.

As the program continues to grow each year—last year alone, we received 522 registered requests—the need for strong community partnerships becomes increasingly essential to meet the rising demand.

Each year, the Veterans Service Commission is deeply moved by the incredible generosity displayed by the community towards veterans. It serves as a crucial reminder that their service is deeply valued and they are not forgotten.

We invite you to contact us to discuss partnership and volunteering opportunities. Together, we can continue to make each holiday season a truly memorable one for veteran families.

Thank you for considering our request and for your continued support.

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