**Free Christmas Help in St. Louis: 2017**

There are several agencies or churches that may have gifts or holiday food baskets for low income families or those that are facing a short term crisis.

Almost all of the organizations rely on the support of dedicated volunteers as well as donations from the community. There are businesses as well as non-profits that collect surplus toys, gently used clothing, and retailers that offer gift cards. Staff may also deliver a Christmas or Thanksgiving meal to a senior in St. Louis.

While most of the items are gently used, there may be a few instances in which a family is given a new game or toy for their children. This will generally be a wrapped gift that can be placed under the tree and the child can open on Christmas morning.

**Santa's Helpers, Inc.**
Address - 5835 Manchester Ave.
St. Louis, Missouri 63110
314 647-1800
This charity operates year round and is one of the larger holiday programs in the city. Volunteers collect toys, games, electronics, and gift cards from the community. Then, during Christmas, there may be thousands of children given gifts. The assistance is available at both Christmas and Hannukah.

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**Circle of Concern**

112 St. Louis Avenue
P.O. Box 444 Valley Park, MO 63088
636-861-2623

Thanksgiving baskets and Holiday Family Adoption

**The Little Bit Foundation**
Address: 2300 Clark Ave.
St. Louis, Missouri 63103
314-669-0040
They focus on children and students in St. Louis schools. The usual Christmas gift passed out is a warm winter coat, but there may be other small gifts given as well.

**Voices for Children**
920 North Vandeventer
St. Louis, MO 63108
314-552-2352
An Adopt a Family program is run for abused or neglected children. They seek donations of toys and other items.

**Salvation Army Holiday Services (Deadline for toys was November 3rd, but there may be one first come first serve day. Call for details.)**
The Christmas programs vary by location and resources, but there may be everything from meals to gifts or toys for children from Angel Tree programs. The elderly or homebound may also inquire into a meal delivery service or help from Silver Bells.
Location - 1130 Hampton Ave, St. Louis, Missouri, 63139 dial (314) 646-3000
616 N 16th St, East St Louis, IL, dial (618) 874-3136
Center address - 2618 N Euclid Ave - St. Louis, MO, 63113, dial (314) 531-5621

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**Mission St. Louis**
4366 Manchester Ave,
St. Louis, Missouri, 63110
314-534-1188
They offer discounted holiday programs. There may be low cost clothing, games, toys, books, and more that parents can buy. The homeless or those that are living in poverty may also be able to get a holiday meal.

**New North Side Baptist Church**
8645 Goodfellow Boulevard
Saint Louis, Missouri 63147
314-381-5730
Thanksgiving and Christmas meals may be served.

**Urban League of Saint Louis**
1440 S Compton Ave
St. Louis, MO
314-773-0733

**The St. Louis Dream Center**
Location is 4324 Margaretta Avenue 63115
314-381-0700
What may be offered to children under 18 includes Legos, balls, Bath & Body Works items, games, and much more. In some cases there will be gift certificates for teenagers.

**Feed My People Christmas Programs**
171 Kingston Dr. 63125
314-631-4900

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