**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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