

Thank you for your interest in volunteering on our annual toy project. The dates below are where we are looking for volunteers to help with sorting, selecting, checking and packing. Spaces where a X is shown indicates that we are not working that session.

	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Tues 9 Nov *		Х	Х
Mon 15 Nov *		Х	Х
Thurs 18 Nov *		Х	Х
Tues 23 Nov *		Х	Х
Monday 29 Nov	FULL		Х
Tues 30 Dec	FULL	Х	FULL
Wed 1 Dec		FULL	Х
Thurs 2 Dec		Х	FULL
Fri 3 Dec	FULL		Х
Sat 4 Dec	FULL	Х	Х
Mon 6 Dec	FULL	FULL	Х
Tues 7 Dec	Х	FULL	FULL
Wed 8 Dec	FULL		Х
Thurs 9 Dec	Х	Х	FULL
Fri 10 Dec	FULL		Х
Sat 11 Dec	FULL	Х	Х
Mon 13 Dec	Х		FULL
Tues 14 Dec			Х
Wed 15 Dec	FULL		Х

Dates marked with an * are the days that we will be sorting and checking items donated and we will just need 3 or 4 people for each session. Packing of parcels will commence on 29 November.

We will be operating from our premises on Mount Pleasant Industrial Estate, Southampton, SO14 0SP. There is plenty of parking on site.

The session times are: -

- Morning 9.30am to 12.30pm (except Saturday which is 10am to 1pm)
- Afternoon 1.30pm to 4.30pm
- Evening 6pm to 8.30pm

If you are interested in helping this year, please send your preferred date(s) with second and third choices if possible to <u>CC@scratchcharity.co.uk</u>. If you are hoping to organise for a group to come, please let us know how many that will be. The maximum group size that we can accommodate this year is 6 people.

This is a very popular project and so we do get booked up quickly so the faster you book the greater the chance of securing your preferred date(s).

Regrettably we will again have to restrict the age limit to 16 years and above.

We may have to put some guidelines in place such as mask wearing depending on the number of COVID cases later in the year. We will be keeping the place well ventilated, limiting the number of people and will have plenty of hand sanitiser available.

We anticipate that the number of referrals will rise again this year as so many local families have been hit financially by COVID and with the end of furlough there is likely to be many job losses and families with reduced incomes.

We have Amazon wish lists on our website and would like to encourage you to either purchase something from them, bring some new donations with you when you volunteer or make a financial donation so that we can buy items when we know we have shortages for particular age groups. Please spread the word amongst your family, friends and work colleagues so that we can ensure each child referred has presents to open on Christmas Day.

Further information on how you can donate can be found on our website - <u>https://www.scratchcharity.co.uk/projects/christmas-complete.htm</u>

Many thanks for your support.

Annette & the CC Team