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Giving Programs Wrap up for 2019

Kent, Wash – December 20, 2019 – The Toys for Joy program is closing shop for the 2019 holiday season after another successful campaign to help our community.

Because of the generosity of local businesses and community members, we collected over 5,000 toys for local children. Those toys were delivered this morning to the Kent Food Bank.

A new part of our giving program is the addition of the Jerry Woods Holiday Engine. The Holiday Engine (www.holidayengine.org) has been a part of Maple Valley for years and is now part of our Holiday Programs as our service area has expanded.

The Holiday Engine program to date has collected over \$ 15,400. and over 24,000 pounds of food for Maple Valley and Covington area families this holiday season, with one more weekend to go. Distribution of the donations is through the Maple Valley Food Bank.

Finally, the Kent Firefighters Foundation will be distributing approx. 40 food baskets to preidentified families on Sunday 12/ 22.

Again, these programs can only be successful when we have the support of the community. A huge thank you to everyone for their donations of gifts, money, food items, and time. We would especially like to thank several of the largest corporate donors including:

PODS

Reddaway Trucking

Bowen Scarf Ford

Hermanson

Target

The Renton Mustang Club

Toys for Joy and the Holiday Engine will be back in 2020!

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