



THE CHRISTMAS PLACE 2022

Together we make a difference!

We want to thank everyone who donated and volunteered last year to make **THE CHRISTMAS PLACE** an overwhelming success. The combined efforts of Operation Sharing, the Children's Aid Society of Oxford County and the Power of HOPE Community Organization enhanced our program. Please help us continue this tradition to meet the very real needs of families in Oxford County that respects the inherent dignity and worth of individuals and families living in poverty. We would greatly appreciate if you could please post the enclosed poster for the community to view.

Our 2022 Christmas Place will look different this year, trying to return post pandemic:

- Parents **only** can register to shop for their children (0-18)
- Gifts or gift cards will be available to buy, for a total of \$4 per child.
- Registration is required no later than Wednesday, December 7th!
- A shopping day will be scheduled for parents
- **Photo ID and proof of address is required when attending to shop**

MONETARY & GIFT COLLECTION:

Cash, Cheques, Gift Cards, and New children's toy Donations can be dropped off to

THE CHRISTMAS PLACE

Parking lot Entrance of College Avenue United Church

Corner of Wilson & Peel Streets, Woodstock

November 30th thru December 12th ~ Monday to Friday – 10 am – 4 pm

Charitable Tax Receipts will be issued for Cash/Cheque/Gift Cards

Cheque made payable to Operation Sharing with CHRISTMAS PLACE noted in Memo.



Operation Sharing
'HELPING PEOPLE FIND NEW HOPE'



REGISTRATION FORMS:

Registration forms are required and are available at: Operation Sharing (Woodstock, Ingersoll); Salvation Army (Woodstock, Ingersoll, Tillsonburg); The Livingston Centre, Tillsonburg; Children's Aid Society of Oxford County; Oxford County Community Health Centre; Big Brothers and Big Sisters; Ingamo; Canadian Mental Health Association; Ingersoll Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic; Wellkin Child & Youth Mental Wellness; DASO; WDDS; Good Beginnings and all churches in Oxford County.

Once you have received an invitation from one of the services listed above you can register online via email to thechristmasplace1@gmail.com or return forms to College Ave United Church 22 Wilson St. Woodstock (black mailbox at parking lot entrance). Registration must be completed no later than **Wednesday, December 7th!** Please provide all info requested on the registration form.

SHOPPING:

Please ensure to bring your Photo ID and proof of address, it is required to shop. You must be pre registered. Only one invitation per household is allowed to shop. Please see registration forms for designated shopping days at The Christmas Place (Peel street entrance) **Tuesday, December 13th – Thursday, December 15th between 11am – 7pm**

VOLUNTEERS:

Please join us in volunteering! Contact our volunteer coordinator: Cathy Laye 519.537.7185 for more information.

CONTACTS:

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519.539.6176 | 800.250.7010 Ext. 328 / donations@casoxford.on.ca - www.casoxford.on.ca

Parents Invitation

Christmas Place 2022 will be open to in person shopping . We will have gifts, gift cards and pj packs to offer a hand up this Christmas. In order for us to spread some holiday cheer we have to work together. You **must pre register** with the Christmas place through email or a drop box and come shop on your assigned pick up day. Gifts will be available for a maximum of \$4 per child.

Parent Names: _____

Address: _____

Childs Name (age Newborn -18 yrs)	Age

Register online by sending this form filled out to thechristmasplace1@gmail.com or drop off at College Ave United Church 22 Wilson st, Woodstock (black mailbox at parking lot entrance).

Registration Deadline Wednesday December 7th

You **MUST** show photo ID and Proof of address to shop. All gift tables will be refilled as needed day to day to allow everyone equal choices on their designated day. Shopping entrance will be at the peel st door. Please bring bags for your purchases. Precautions are our new reality, if you are feeling unwell please do not come shop and contact us for options.

Pick up dates and times are as follows:

Last Names starting with S-Z: Tuesday December 13th 11am-7pm

Last Names starting with J-R: Wednesday December 14th 11am-7pm

Last Names starting with A-I: Thursday December 15th 11am-7pm

Unfortunately as we are finding our way post pandemic kids day will not run this year, but we do hope we can have the full kid festivities in the future. There will be no Grandparent shopping. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas!

