**2025 Adopt-A-Family**

**Donor Kit**

Thank you, thank you, thank you!!! So you’ve decided to adopt a family! The United Way of Meriden and Wallingford welcomes your participation, as we appreciate the support of people like you, especially this year where the need is extraordinary.

*Please note below some of the changes to the guidelines that we have made to this year’s program.*

***Here are some basic guidelines to help you along the process:***

A. Please let us know the general size (range or limit of family members) that you are comfortable adopting. We will match you with a family and provide you with their “wish list” that includes the ages, genders, and sizes of their children. Parents are included on the wish lists as well.

B. Families must remain anonymous to protect their privacy, so each family is labeled by a number. You will be given contact information for a person at the family’s agency who works closely with them via email when sending the wish list to you.

*Please email/call and introduce yourself to your agency contact and let them know which family you were matched with for “adoption.” With the circumstances as they are this year, you may, at this time, want to advise the agency as to how the items will be delivered to them, whether it be in person, delivered by carrier, etc. If they will be shipped to them, please coordinate with the agency as to how the items will be identified for your family when they arrive as agencies submit multiple families to us for adoption.*

C. After reviewing the wish list, you can begin shopping for the family. If you have any questions about the family’s items, you can contact the agency directly for answers to any inquiries.

D. When you have completed your shopping for your family and you will be dropping off the gifts, please coordinate with your agency and arrange a day and time to bring the **unwrapped gifts** to the agency.

*We are requesting this year that the items be delivered to the agencies on or before:*

***Friday,******December 12th*** *which gives them plenty of time to coordinate a pickup time with their families while adhering to their agency guidelines.*

E. Although gifts need to be unwrapped per agency policy, donations of wrapping paper, bows, and gift tags are always greatly appreciated.

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Size of Family you would like to Adopt 2-3 4-5 6+

Additional comments \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete and return this form to Julia Pelletier**

**If you have any questions, please contact Julia at 203-235-4403 ext. 1002**

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