

2020 Holiday Helps in Washington County

A FREE traditional Thanksgiving dinner will be provided at the Red Rock Canyon School, 747 East St. George Blvd. from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm on Thanksgiving Day, November 26th. Everyone is welcome. There are no qualifying factors.

Food box distributions at Red Cliffs Mall parking lot by Southern Utah Pacific Islander Coalition / Utah Food Bank starting at 9am, **November 21st (frozen turkeys included)** and Dec. 5th same time, same place.

Other food box distributions: Nov. 19th & Dec. 17 @ Washington City Community Center from 8:30-10:30 am
Nov. 20th & Dec. 18th at the Green Valley LDS Stake Center, 511 S. Valley View Dr. SG from 8:30-10:30 am
Dec. 3rd at the Washington County School District west parking lot, 121 W. Tabernacle, St. George 8:30-10:30 am

KONY “Coins for Kids” provides Christmas assistance for families with children ages 2-17 in Washington County who qualify because of need. A referral letter is required from the school, clergy leader, or from a social service agency or non-profit organization.

***Applications this year will be taken ONLINE because of the Coronavirus.**

Go to: www.coinsforkids.net to apply. Applications will be accepted until Nov. 18th at 5pm.

Families will be scheduled to verify their documents during the week of Nov. 16-20 at the Washington County School District main building, 121 West Tabernacle Street.

**Nov. 16th from 9am – 5pm, Nov. 17th from 1-5 pm, Nov. 18th & 19th from 9am – 7pm, and Nov. 20 from 9am – 5pm.*

***Parents MUST wear a mask** inside the district office building and should plan to come alone.

***Childcare** may be available through the Family Support Center by **calling 435-674-5133**.

There is a limit of 3 years of assistance over a 9-year period. After 3 years, families may apply for assistance through Toys for Tots (see below).

Families may not apply for assistance at both Coins for Kids and Toys for Tots.

Toys for Tots will provide toys to those who **apply online at** <https://st-george-ut.toysfortots.org/> Families should apply for Christmas assistance (first) through KONY “Coins for Kids” if they have not already met the 3-year maximum limit. **Applications will be taken up to December 19th.**

Switchpoint Community Resource Center (948 N. 1300 W. SG) now operates the **Community Soup Kitchen** where they serve a **hot meal** Mon.–Fri. from 11:30 am–1:00 pm. **They provide food boxes** as well.

Switchpoint houses our community’s **local food pantry** Mon.–Fri. from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm

Call 435-628-9310 ext. 4 to find out when you can come.

Their **thrift store** is across the street for **clothing, etc.** Open Mon.–Sat. 9am – 6pm. **Call 435-628-9310 ext. 5**

Any **gently used coats** donated by the community will be available for pickup. Check with intake.

For a hot Sunday meal, go to Solomon’s Porch at 1495 Blackridge Dr. #A240 in St. George, 84790 from 12:30-1:30 pm. They also have **food boxes available Fridays** from 3 pm sharp.

Salvation Army, 803 S. Bluff Street (in old KMART parking lot area), **435-275-4975** can assist with their small **food pantry, with a monthly food box and weekly bread and pastries**. They also provide some **emergency rental assistance, fuel assistance, and emergency transportation** for those who qualify. They also have Deseret Industries vouchers for **clothing and household needs**. The donations they receive from the bell ringers & kettles go to support many Christmas efforts in the community.

For clothing needs, please contact your school counselor. They have clothing vouchers from the Catholic Thrift store, and the Switchpoint CRC Thrift store. **DI vouchers are NOW available as of 11/30/20.**

HEAT (Home Energy Assistance Target) program. Apply now for help with your **gas and electrical bills**. You don’t need to be behind on your bill. **Call 435-652-9643**

RENTAL ASSISTANCE: *The St. George Housing Authority has an **emergency rental assistance** grant application (once per lifetime), for special circumstances. **Call 435-628-3648,** <http://www.stgeorgehousingauthority.org/emergency-rental-assistance.html>*