



Holiday Resources 2023

Navigation Services



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Hunger Free Colorado

720-328-1284

<https://www.hungerfreecolorado.org/>

- National Hunger Free Hotline: 1-855-855-4626
- Referrals to holiday food resources, food programs and pantries

Mile High United Way 211

<http://www.unitedwaydenver.org/2-1-1>

- Call 2-1-1 for additional holiday assistance resources
 - See events calendar for more details of upcoming holiday resources: <https://unitedwaydenver.org/community-events/>

The Action Center

303-237-7704

<https://theactioncenter.org/>

8745 4th Ave., Lakewood, CO, 80215

- Thanksgiving Grocery Boxes
 - <https://theactioncenter.org/events/#ThanksgivingFBD>
 - Pre-Registration Required
 - Available to Jefferson County residents and those experiencing homelessness that are facing financial challenges
 - Registration is required: Check website for registration times
 - Items needed: Photo ID, number receive when registered, arrive at pick-up time indicated when registering
 - Covid-19 safety precautions require you to pre-register and have appointment, wear masks, and drive slowly through the drive-thru
- The Holiday Gift Shop
 - Please check website to register for Holiday Gift Program
 - Please keep in mind this event is for those experiencing financial hardship that are Jefferson County residents or those experiencing homelessness. Open to children ages birth to 12.
 - *No children are allowed at Holiday Gift Shop.* If they must come, another adult must wait with them in the lobby while you shop.

Kenzi's Causes- Toy Shop

303-353-8191

www.kenziscauses.org

National Western Complex, 4655 Humboldt Street, Denver, CO 80216

- Annual Denver Toy Shop will take place December 2, 2023 from 8:45AM – 4:00PM
- Registration is REQUIRED:
 - Registration will open on the website on Thursday, November 30th at 9am.
- MUST READ Information:

***Some public schools in Jefferson County and others may be offering holiday assistance. Ask at your child's school. ***

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- You can only shop for your child(ren)!
- You MUST have a birth certificate for each child and your photo ID. NO EXCEPTIONS. This has been a requirement since 2010.
- If you have step-children, you must have proof that you are a step parent. Example: a copy of your marriage license and a copy of your spouses ID that matches the birth certificate for each child.
- You can only shop at your registered time, that you sign up for on December 1, 2023
- We will serve 3,500 children and each child will get a new toy from our main toy area, a new toy from our small toy area. We will have a limited number of stuffed animals and toothbrush/toothpaste kits.
- You will be given a survey to complete when you arrive at the event BEFORE you can shop.
- Our Denver event is one day and open to anyone in need, you do not need to live in Denver to attend. We will not have another event and our leftover toys will be given to nonprofit partners and schools.

Denver Santa Claus Shop

720-944-3666

1200 Federal Blvd, Denver, CO 80204

<https://www.denversantaclausshop.org/>

- Denver Santa Claus Shop invites parents who are referred to DSCS from Denver Human Services, Social Service Agencies and Community Partners to Shop for toys for their children ages 0-11 in early December each year.
 - If you are a Denver resident and receiving assistance from Denver Human Services, your children ages 0 – 11 are automatically qualified for this year’s toy distribution. If you are not receiving services from DHS, you need to be registered with and receiving assistance from some type of social service agency or community partner.
 - If you are a qualified Denver resident and have children ages 0-11, you may pre-register for the toy distribution by going to [denversantaclausshop.org](https://www.denversantaclausshop.org) and clicking on the “Registration” button. Registration typically opens mid-November.
- Please check our website at [denversantaclausshop.org](https://www.denversantaclausshop.org) or our Facebook page around mid-November for the Shop location and operating hours each year.

Volunteers of America

303-297-0408

2660 Larimer Street, Denver, CO, 80205

<https://www.voacolorado.org/holidays>

- Thanksgiving Dinner Baskets
 - To receive a Thanksgiving Dinner Basket, **you must sign up on the website.**
 - Families and individuals are eligible.
 - Baskets must be picked up by the person listed on the signup
 - Call for more information.
- Christmas Dinner Baskets
 - To receive a Christmas Dinner Basket, **you must sign up on the website.**
 - Families and individuals are eligible.
 - Baskets must be picked up by the person listed on the signup.
 - Call for more information.
- Santa Shop for Teens
 - Every year VOA gives out over 6,000 gifts at the Santa Shop during our Holiday Dinner Basket Give Out and every year we run out of gifts for teenagers first.
 - Call for more information.

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Denver Rescue Mission

303-297-1815

6100 Smith Rd., Denver CO, 80216

- Thanksgiving Banquet-in-a-Box:
 - Registration will open in early October for Thanksgiving Banquet-in-a-Box. Each box provides Thanksgiving meal fixings for a family of 8-10 along with a frozen turkey.
 - **You must register online!**
 - <https://denverrescuemission.org/thanksgiving-banquet-in-a-box/>
 - You will be sent a postcard with an assigned a time to pick up
- Housewarming Box (formerly known as Adopt-A-Family):
 - Participants in our Family Rescue Ministry and Family Refugee Services programs receive these boxes. Will not be accepting external referrals this year. <https://www.denverrescuemission.org/housewarmingbox>

St. Jude Catholic Church

303-988-6435

9405 W Florida Ave., Lakewood, CO, 80232

- Thanksgiving and Christmas assistance for persons living in Lakewood in 80226, 80227, 80228, 80232.
 - If not a parishioner of St. Jude, must submit verification of address
 - Call for more information

Denver Salvation Army

303-295-3366

- Thanksgiving Dinner:
 - Information not available yet, call above number for most up-to-date information
- Christmas Dinner:
 - Information not available yet, call above number for most up-to-date information.
- Angel Tree:
 - Information to apply provided online at <https://saangeltree.org/>
 - Please have documentation of age of child, proof of residence, or photo ID

Community Ministry

303-935-3428

1755 S. Zuni St., Denver, CO, 80223

<https://comministry-denver.org/holiday-food-boxes/>

- Holiday food boxes offered to pre-registered clients at Thanksgiving and Christmas.
 - Distribution usually occurs the Monday prior to the holiday
- May only sign up to receive a Thanksgiving OR Christmas box, not both.
- Must have used Community Ministry services during the calendar year—please call for more information.
- Must live in the 80204, 80219, 80223, 80236 or Denver County 80227 zip codes.

Comitis Crisis Center

303-341-9160

2178 Victor St, Aurora, CO 80045

<https://comitiscrisiscenter.org/comitis-crisis-center>

- Offers Christmas help in Adams County. There may also be free winter coats for kids, small toys for teenagers or infants, support for single mothers and others.

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Denver Inner City Parish

303-629-0636

1212 Mariposa St., Denver, CO 80204

<https://www.dicp.org/>

- Thanksgiving
 - for more details
- Christmas Gifts
 - Details available in late November, please call for details

Servicios de la Raza

303-458-5851

3131 W 14th Ave., Denver, CO 80204

<https://serviciosdelaraza.org/>

- Please contact for most up-to-date holiday information

Community Table

303-424-6685

8555 W. 57th Ave., Arvada, CO, 80002

<https://cotable.org/>

- Please contact for most up-to-date holiday information

Operation Turkey

<https://www.operationturkey.com/locations/denver/>

- Goal is to provide warm meals to individuals and families on Thanksgiving Day
- Please visit above website for more details

Macedonia Baptist Church

303-377-8821

3240 Adams Street, Denver CO. 80205

<http://www.macedoniadenver.org/>

- Please contact to find out more about Christmas assistance and food pantry assistance

Other resources:

- <https://www.211colorado.org/holiday/>
- <https://www.dpsk12.org/holiday-resources-for-families/>
- https://www.needhelp-payingbills.com/html/denver_free_christmas_and_holid.html