Marine Toys for Tots Program





Corporate Sponsorship 2023

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Introduction

Established in 1947, Toys for Tots is the U.S. Marine Corps' premier community action program and America's most popular Children's Christmastime Charity. It is the combined efforts of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve and the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation. Our mission today is the same as it was in 1947: to bring the joy of Christmas to America's less fortunate children.

Toys for Tots is a National program with a local touch – we have over 830 local toy collection and distribution programs in most major market areas in all 50 states, DC, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands.

Each local Toys for Tots Campaign is run by a Marine Reserve unit, Marine Corps League Detachment, or other community organization with each campaign headed by a Toys for Tots Coordinator who organizes a seasonal campaign from October through December. Their primary focus is to collect, sort and distribute toys to less fortunate children in their local area. **Each Coordinator:**

- Establishes a volunteer network
- Works with local businesses and organizations to help collect toys, raise dollars and promote the program within the community
- Distribute toys, books and gifts to children-in-need within the local area

The Marine Toys for Tots Foundation, an IRS recognized 501(c)(3) not-for-profit public charity, is the fundraising, funding and support organization for the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program.

Partnering with Toys for Tots can help with your corporate image creating an association with a highly regarded charity running a positive social program. People support companies that support their charities.

People want to feel good at Christmas and we make it easy.

- Toys for Tots provides a positive, uplifting social program
- A person can literally fix a problem with a single donation a \$10 gift will provide a package of toys and fulfill the Christmas holiday dreams of one child-in-need.

Who better tells the story of Christmas than Toys for Tots?

Supporting Toys for Tots:

- Invokes patriotism by supporting a U.S. Marine Corps program
- Tugs at heartstrings by helping children-in-need
- During America's favorite holiday: Christmas!

Last year, Toys for Tots distributed 24.4 million toys to 10 million less fortunate children!



Become a National Corporate Sponsor

Contact Us

It starts with a simple phone call or email to the Vice President, Marketing & Development, Ted Silvester at (703) 649-2021 or ted.silvester@toysfortots.org

Make a Pledge

Pledge to raise or contribute a specified amount of cash

To be a National Corporate Sponsor (NCS)

- Donate a minimum of \$25,000 in cash, or...
- Make an in-kind product donation of new toys and/or books with a minimum value of \$100,000 (Toys collected via toy drives do not count towards value of an in-kind product donation)
- Hosting toy drives alone does not constitute a national partnership

Enter into a Licensing Agreement

- For cause-marketing initiatives, we like to enter into a simple licensing agreement that
 captures the basics such as: use of Toys for Tots Logo and name, indemnification, a
 description of your cause-marketing campaign, promotional period, etc.
- Feel free to use the agreement we provide, make any necessary changes, amendments, or even use your own.
- Supporting Toys for Tots with a monetary donation, an in-kind contribution and/or toy
 drives do not require a licensing agreement (only cause-marketing initiatives).

Guidelines for consideration as a Corporate Partner

- As an official activity of the U.S. Marine Corps, the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation will not affiliate
 with an organization that portrays the USMC or the Marine Toys for Tots Program in a negative
 manner.
- The Marine Toys for Tots Foundation adheres to the Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance Standards for Charity Accountability. View these guidelines and our accreditation at: http://www.give.org/for-charities/.
- Marine Toys for Tots does not sell, loan, or distribute our mailing lists or email addresses to third parties.
- Out of respect to our current donors and corporate partners, Marine Toys for Tots will not actively solicit or promote to our supporters. We may, however, promote via our social media channels.
- Marine Toys for Tots Foundation does not consider promotions that utilize direct mail, telemarketing or door-to-door sales, nor will we advertise items for sale on our website.





Benefits of a National Corporate Sponsor

Boost Your Corporate Image

- Alignment with Toys for Tots can promote greater awareness of a company's products and services, increase sales and promote employee retention
- Association with a widely recognized credible national charity running a positive social program - Use of Toys for Tots Name and Logo in your cause marketing campaign, publicity, promotions and website

<u>Get Seen – Exposure, Exposure, Exposure!</u>

Your company featured on the Toys for Tots website receiving millions of views in November and December

- Your logo posted on Toys for Tots website
- Your logo linked back to your website

Toys for Tots Social Media Promotion

- Toys for Tots will post your creatives on our Facebook,
 Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn accounts
 - Announce Partnership
 - Promote your cause marketing campaign
 - Highlight your charitable giving

Your company listed in Toys for Tots Publications

• Annual Report, Newsletters, etc.

Feel Good

Satisfaction knowing your contribution is used to answer the Christmas Holiday dreams of underprivileged children

Know that Toys for Tots makes good use of your donation...

- Our 97:3 Program to Support ratio means that 97% of all expended funds directly support our mission of providing gifts for less fortunate children
- Not a single donated dollar goes toward anyone's salary

Direct your donation to support your local area or have it distributed to support one or more of our 830+ local campaigns

Toys for Tots Proudly Boasts a 97:3 Program to Support Ratio





Levels of Nationally Recognized Corporate Partners

A **National Corporate Sponsor** has 5 tiers depending on the contribution:

Sponso	rship Level	Cash Donation	or	Gift-in-Kind / Service Donation
****	5 Star Sponsor	\$1 million +	or	\$2 million +
***	4 Star Sponsor	\$500,000 - \$999,999	or	\$1 million - \$2 million
***	3 Star Sponsor	\$250,000 - \$499,999	or	\$500,000 - \$999,999
**	2 Star Sponsor	\$100,000 - \$249,999	or	\$250,000 - \$499,999
*	1 Star Sponsor	\$25,000 - \$99,999	or	\$100,000 - \$249,999

A **National Corporate <u>Donor</u>** is an organization that makes a **cash donation** of at least \$5,000 up to \$24,999

Ways to Support as a Corporate Partner

There are many ways to support the Toys for Tots Program

- Make a Corporate Donation
- Encourage Employee Donations with a Corporate Matching Gift
- Conduct a Cause Marketing Campaign: Make a donation for every item or service sold
- Conduct a Fundraising Event; Set up a custom crowdfunding page
- Allow your customers to donate at checkout with a point-of-sale transaction
- Make an In-Kind Product Donation (New Toys and/or Books)
- Donate a Service (Typically Media Advertising; Warehouse Space; Logistics Support)

Many of our Corporate Sponsors also conduct <u>Toy Drives</u>.

Toy Drives are considered local events and <u>must</u> be coordinated with your <u>local</u> Toys for Tots representative.

The monetary value of toys collected from a company-sponsored toy drive is not included as part of the overall contribution of a corporate sponsorship. Although we greatly appreciate the locally donated toys (as do the children receiving them!), the IRS does not allow us to acknowledge the party hosting a toy drive. It is the individual(s) donating a toy that can take the tax credit.



Fact Sheet



Delivering Hope since 1947

The 2022 Marine Toys for Tots Holiday Campaign
Delivered **24.4 Million Toys** to **10 Million less fortunate Children**

Marine Toys for Tots Program

Created in 1947 and expanded nationwide in 1948, the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is an official activity of the U.S. Marine Corps and the Marine Corps' premier community action program. From 1947-2020, U.S. Marines and volunteers distributed 627 million toys to over 281 million less fortunate children. Today, Toys for Tots is our Nation's flagship Christmas charitable cause with local Toys for Tots campaigns conducted from October through December each year in over 830 communities throughout the country.

Goals and Objectives

- Deliver a message of hope to less fortunate children at Christmas, during disaster recovery, and other areas in need of emotional support
- Restore / build self-esteem and self-confidence
- Inspire youngsters to grow into responsible, productive, patriotic citizens
- Unite members of local communities

Accomplishments

- **Distributed** 24.4 million toys to 9.9 million children
- Foundation Supplemented local campaigns <u>with</u>
 12 million toys valued at over \$127 million
- Distributed <u>3 million toys, books, and games</u> throughout Spring & Summer
- Distributed over <u>6.5 million books</u> through the Toys for Tots Literacy Program
- Distributed toys to <u>over 220,000 children</u> through the Toys for Tots Native American Program
- Received Unmodified opinion by independent auditor
- Achieved a 97:3 Program to Support Ratio
- Met all 20 standards of Better Business Wise Giving Alliance
- Charity Navigator 4-Star Rating

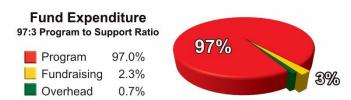
Marine Toys for Tots Foundation

The Marine Toys for Tots Foundation, an IRS recognized 501 (c)(3) not-for-profit public charity, is the fundraising and support organization for the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program. Created at the behest of the Marine Corps, the Foundation has played a key role in every campaign since 1991.

The mission of the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation is to assist the U.S. Marine Corps in achieving its goal of delivering hope and happiness in the form of gifts to less fortunate children at Christmas, during disaster recovery, and other areas in need of emotional support. This assistance includes raising funds to:

- Provide Toys to supplement the collections of local Toys for Tots campaigns
- Defray the costs of local campaigns
- Manage funds raised and donated based on the Toys for Tots name and logo
- Provide administrative, advisory, financial, logistical and promotional support to local Toys for Tots Coordinators
- Provide other support that the Marine Corps, as a federal agency, cannot provide
- Conduct public education and information programs about Toys for Tots that call the general public to action in support of this patriotic community action program.

From 1991 – 2021, the Foundation supplemented the collections of local Toys for Tots campaigns with **over 161 million toys valued at over \$1.3 billion dollars.**Concurrently, the Foundation provided promotional and support materials valued at **\$18 million**.



For more information, visit www.toysfortots.org



Listing of 2022 National Corporate Sponsors

3 Bees & Me **Federated Auto Parts New England Doll** Noodle & Boo **ABC Liquor** First Nation

Accenture Five Below Norfolk Southern Foundation **NVIDIA**

Advisor Compliance Associates, LLC Flat River Group Albert Lee Appliance Floor & Decor American Bath Group Frito Lav **Amneal Pharmaceuticals**

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GEICO

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BlueStem Brands Haggen Food & Pharmacy Quantified Media

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Breezeline **HDI Houseware Distributors** Republic National Distributing Company

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Historical Highlights

1947	Major Bill Hendricks, USMCR, founds the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program in Los Angeles, California. Hendricks and a handful of Marines collected 5,000 toys for less fortunate children that Christmas.
1948	The program expands nationwide when the Commandant of The Marine Corps directed all U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Units to conduct a local Toys for Tots campaign. Walt Disney designs the first national Toys for Tots poster, which included the now famous Toys for Tots train logo. These Christmas posters have become a recognized annual tradition of the program.
1949	Major celebrities begin to endorse the program. Over the years Toys for Tots spokespersons have included John Wayne, Bob Hope, Frank Sinatra, Johnny Carson, Clint Eastwood, Brooke Shields, Tim Allen and Dr. Phil.
1962	The New York Yankees sponsor the first major sports event to benefit Toys for Tots. Since then many professional teams have supported our program.
1965	Toys for Tots Program continues to grow, as does public support. More local and national corporations become involved. Local civilian organizations and individuals assist Marine Corps units with programs in their communities.
1980	Native American Toys for Tots Program begins. Marines begin collecting only new, unwrapped toys; no longer accepting or repairing used toys. Toys for Tots raises approximately 8 million toys annually.
1983	Nancy Reagan became the first of three First Ladies to honor Toys for Tots by being the honorary spokesperson. Barbara Bush was the second. In her book, Mrs. Bush names Toys for Tots as one of her favorite charities.
1990	First national television promotion. Game show "Wheel of Fortune" raises over \$3,000,000 setting a "Guinness Book of World Records" for participation in a call-in television promotional.
1991	The newly created Marine Toys for Tots Foundation begins to provide fundraising and other business support for the Toys for Tots Program.
1992-1999	With increased support from businesses and individual Americans, the Toys for Tots Program grew steadily reaching an average of 4.2 million children annually.
2001	Toys for Tots listed in the Chronicle of Philanthropy's "Philanthropy 400" for the first time and has been listed every year since.



2001	The following accolades were received: named by Reader's Digest as the Best Children's Charity; included on the Gold-Star list of Charities by Forbes Magazine; Named as the Outstanding Nonprofit of the Year by the Direct Marketing Association.
2005	President Bush helped sort toys in the Washington DC campaign.
2008	The Toys for Tots Literacy Program is established.
2009-2016	First Lady Michelle Obama selected Toys for Tots as her Christmas charity every year since 2009 conducting media events and serving as a volunteer in one of our warehouses.
2020	For the fourth year in a row, First Lady Melania Trump volunteered her time to help sort toys in the Washington DC campaign and interact with children and volunteers. Toys for Tots distributed a record number of toys (20.2 million) during pandemic restrictions.
2022	For the past two years, Toys for Tots has provided support year-round to less fortunate children with the distribution of millions of toys and games in the spring and summer as well as distributed books to Title I funded schools.
Today	Recent annual campaigns have averaged distributing 18 million toys to well over 8 million less fortunate children





The Founder and the Logo Creator

The Founder of Toys for Tots was the late Colonel William L. Hendricks, USMCR (Ret). In the middle of the 1940's, Bill Hendricks was the Director of Public Relations for Warner Brothers Studio and concurrently a Major in the Marine Corps Reserve. In the fall of 1947, Bill, with the assistance of members from his Marine Reserve unit, collected and distributed toys to the less fortunate children of Los Angeles, CA. Bill Hendricks' pilot project was such a success that the Marine Corps adopted it and expanded it nation-wide in 1948. As a personal friend and as a favor to Bill, Walt Disney designed the first Toys for Tots poster which included a miniature three-car train that was subsequently adopted as the Toys for Tots logo.



First Toys for Tots Poster (Designed by Walt Disney)



William Hendricks Colonel, USMC (Ret)



Walt Disney



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How to find your local Toys for Tots Coordinator

(Local campaigns are active only from October through December)

- Visit our website at: <u>www.toysfortots.org</u>
- Click "Find Your Local Toys for Tots Program"
- Enter your state then enter your county in the dropdown menus
- That will take you to the local Toys for Tots Campaign website serving that area. From there, you can then submit a request to:
 - Become a toy drop site
 - Offer pro-bono warehouse space
 - Provide vehicle support
 - Provide other support as requested by the local coordinator

As a seasonal charity, <u>our local Toys for Tots Coordinators and their websites are often inactive until the end of summer</u>; however, Marine Toys for Tots Foundation staff members are available year-round to assist with your charitable giving.

Additional Information can be found on our website

Website: www.toysfortots.org

Be sure to Like and Follow us on our Social Media channels



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