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## 'Tis the Season of Giving

Operation Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief. This program is organized by local teen volunteers of Club Be the Star You Are. The club needs monetary donations to ship books and resources to families on the East Coast who suffered the devastation of Hurricane Sandy. \$25 ships five new books; \$50 ships a dozen new books; \$100 ships a full case. Checks may be sent to Be the Star You Are!(r) 501c3, PO Box 376, Moraga, Ca. 94556 or make a contribution on line via Paypal. For more information please visit [www.bethestaryouare.org/donate.htm](http://www.bethestaryouare.org/donate.htm). and [www.btsya.com/hurricane\\_sandy\\_relief.html](http://www.btsya.com/hurricane_sandy_relief.html).

Moraga-Orinda Fire District and the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program. The mission of the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program is to collect new, unwrapped toys during December each year, and distribute those toys as Christmas gifts to needy children in Contra Costa County. Please join us in donating to the Toys for Tots Program at your local Moraga, Orinda or nearest fire station. This program will be running through Dec. 21.

Roughing It Day Camp - Collecting Donations for One Warm Coat, Toys for Tots, and Food Drive. Please donate coats of any size, new/unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Dec. 27 to Roughing It Camp Office, 1010 Oak Hill Road, Lafayette.

Stuffed Animal Collection. The Moraga Police Officers Association along with S.A.F.E. (Stuffed Animals For Emergencies) is collecting new or gently used stuffed animals to help children through traumatic experiences. The stuffed animals are given to local police and fire departments to distribute to children they encounter who have been affected by traumatic events. S.A.F.E also facilitates the distribution of donated stuffed animals for a variety of charitable purposes to help children. This year's annual holiday collection drive ends Dec. 28. New or gently used stuffed animals can be dropped off at the collection area located in the lobby of the Moraga Police Department, 329 Rheem Blvd. Thank you for your support!

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