

October 23, 2019

Brookings County Commission
520 3rd Street
Brookings, SD 57006

As the Holiday season approaches, we are looking for some assistance with our efforts to help 35 area families through the "Christmas, Kids and Cops" program. Twenty one of the kids selected will be from the Brookings School District, five will be from Sioux Valley Schools in Volga, and there will be three each from Deubrook, Elkton and Arlington School systems.

We are looking for a monetary donation towards the purchase of gifts and a food box for each of the 35 families we will be working with. The Wal-Mart Corporation provides \$2000.00 towards the purchase of items selected by the students for their families. Each year we are also able to provide each family with a food box which is greatly appreciated by everyone involved. The amount needed to purchase each box is approximately \$150.00 and provides all items needed for a Christmas dinner. Donations in any monetary amount would be appreciated.

The Wal-Mart Corporation sponsors this annual event at Christmas time, and it is always a memorable event for everyone involved. Your assistance in this effort will make the holiday season a little brighter for the 35 families involved. By giving of yourself, we are hopeful you will experience the happiness that we do from being able to be involved in this program.

We are grateful for your assistance in this effort last year and hope that you can do the same this holiday season. If you are interested in making a monetary donation, please contact any of the Officers listed below or Sandy McClemons at the SD Department of Labor & Regulation, 605-688-4360. Sandy helps to coordinate the food shopping and monetary needs for the project.

Donations can be sent directly to Sgt. Jon Pike or Sgt. Joe Fishbaugher at the addresses listed below.

In gratitude and appreciation

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