



Operation Good Cheer



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2003 Operation Good Cheer

More than 4,550 children were sponsored in 2003. Operation Good Cheer has never seen a more generous year. Each year thousands of Michigan's children residing in out of home placement turn to Child and Family Services of Michigan, Inc., to grant their holiday wishes. With more than 130 donor groups who annually take part, this is truly an amazing volunteer event. We are so grateful to everyone who has assisted in the success of Operation Good Cheer. You can never imagine the profound effect your generosity has on these children.

2003, was an incredible year for Operation Good Cheer. Individuals and Companies from across Michigan came together to provide children from 38 different non-profit agencies with gifts to open on Christmas morning. With 31 new donor groups, Operation Good Cheer is able to make the holidays happier for more of Michigan's children each year.

The following companies donated trucks, fuel, and a driver for the gift pick up and delivery. Thank you, Chemtrend, 7-Up Bottling Group, Trucks for You, Meijer, Michigan National Guard, Penske Truck Leasing, Professional Movers, Inc., Two Men and a Truck, Lansing Moving, Hollingsworth, Top Flight, Trakon, Con-Way, United Parcel Service, Innovative Logistics, Swift, Mason-Dixon, Vector SCM, and Select 1 Transport. We are so grateful for your assistance. We would also

like to thank Mr. Mike Pipia for his assistance in arranging trucking companies for our gift pick up and delivery. Operation Good Cheer would not be the success it is today without your support.



The Spirit of Good Cheer flight again experienced weather difficulties at certain airports, and cancelled many of our flights. More than 70 flights were able to complete deliveries across Michigan, some as far as the Upper Peninsula. In addition, eight trucking companies picked up gifts at Tradewinds Aviation and transported them to nine participating agencies. Remaining gifts were delivered via truck by our generous volunteers. The response from the agencies has been incredible.

Thank you to all the volunteers at the airport who donated their time by either helping to sort and load gifts onto planes and trucks, or assisting in the transportation of the gifts. The agencies are so thankful for all that you do.

CFSM, Inc., would also like to thank, Mr. Jerry Drew, our Flight Coordinator. We can never express how much we appreciate your continued assistance. The Oakland County International Airport Staff, Air Traffic Controllers, Pontiac Air Center, PAC Staff and Tradewinds Aviation also continue to support the "Spirit of Good Cheer" flight, you are truly appreciated. They have all become essential to the

continued growth and success of Operation Good Cheer.

Penske Trucks were generous enough to donate their trucks for transporting the gifts from the hanger. These gifts were then either loaded onto airplanes, or taken to Tradewinds Aviation to be delivered to agencies by volunteer trucking companies.

Some extremely generous companies donated items for 2003. DBI Business Interiors donated 50 cases of labels, which are used for gift designation and tracking. Edsel Ford, Pentastar Aviation, Volkswagen International, and Panera Bread donated food to our volunteers at the airport on Friday. We also had a donation of a pancake breakfast for all of the pilots and volunteers by the EAA on Saturday. Thank you again, we so much appreciate the gifts you have provided to Operation Good Cheer and the children we serve.



Thank you!

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