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1st Annual New9th Christmas Toy Drive distribution planned for Saturday

A distribution event will be held tomorrow – **Saturday, December 19th** – to give hundreds of Milwaukee children gifts as part of the 1st Annual New9th Christmas Toy Drive, **Alderman Chantia Lewis** said today.

Alderman Lewis, who joined forces with the **Granville and Havenwoods Business Improvement Districts** to launch the New9th Christmas Toy Drive, will host the private distribution event and said the drive will provide gifts for 500 children who might not otherwise see any presents this Christmas.

The toy drive came together quickly and was made possible by the generous support of the Granville and Havenwoods BIDs and several sponsors, Alderman Lewis said.

“With all of the uncertainty and lack of help from the federal government, it’s up to us locally, from government to businesses and stakeholders, to help lift each other up in the time of greatest need,” Alderman Lewis said. “For that reason, it was necessary for me to host the first ever New9thMKE Christmas Toy Drive.”

“I’m so grateful to the BIDs and all of the businesses and volunteers who signed up immediately to help the families. I’m looking forward to doubling the number of kids we help next year, and looking for new partners to make an even greater impact for years to come,” she said.

Alderman Lewis and the Granville and Havenwoods BIDs would like to thank the following generous partnering sponsors and donors: ETE (Engine & Transmission Exchange); MRS (Midwest Refrigerated Services); Sellars; Always Towing & Recovery, Inc.; Family Foods; Krause Funeral Homes; Xymox Technologies; Dr. Chong Ahn; TruCannaBliss; HellermannTyton; Rebel Converting; Direct Supply and Waseen Inc.

Anyone interested in making donations of toys and/or funds for the 2021 toy drive can reach out via email to Alderman Lewis at Chantia.Lewis@milwaukee.gov.

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