

Thank you for taking the time to read about Rotary Club of Clemmons' "Hand-In-Hand" Project . I have attached a copy of our flyer and a generic letter from the Rotary Club of Clemmons, NC "Hand-In-Hand" Project for children who live in the poorer areas of Forsyth County. Our club solicits donations in many types of ways such as cash, promotional articles appropriate for children(average age of 8), school supplies, coloring books, toys, candy, DVD videos (appropriate for children) and/or small gift certificates to a fast food restaurant.

We have been sponsoring this program for seventeen years now. Our club, along with other volunteers, provides a bus service to pick up some 275 children (who are selected based upon their behavior in school and where they live) and we transport them (escorted) to a sit down dinner and program at a local church. Each child then receives one gift bag prior to re-boarding their bus. From there, they are escorted through the Tanglewood Festival of Lights before they are returned home to their parents. It is very exciting for the children and is very rewarding to us as Rotarians and the other volunteers. For many of these children, this could be their only meal of the day or the only present they receive during Christmas.

We need your help to make this project a resounding success. All donations or gifts need to be provided to me by the week of November 26th latest. Also, please let me know in advance what your intentions are as soon as possible for planning purposes.

If you would like to send monetary donation, please make the check payable to the "Rotary Club of Clemmons" and send it directly to the Rotary Club of Clemmons, P.O. Box 1776, Clemmons,NC 27012. Their EID is 56-1817460. A written receipt (invoice copy) will be provided to use for your taxes.

Every year Rotary International has a theme and this year it is "Peace through Service". It is very fitting and I encourage you to do your part by being supportive of this wonderful project. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me as soon as possible. If you are sending a check and need a receipt, please reply and let me know. Whether you buy one smile or fifteen, know that we appreciate your help in filling up the bags for the children who will definitely be smiling.