

NEWSLETTER / NEWS RELEASE From the Office of Mayor Thomas P. Schneider

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Mayor Schneider, the City of Florissant and the organization A Soldier's Wish List team up to support our troops that is overseas.

Mayor Thomas P. Schneider is pleased to announce that the City of Florissant will be collecting items to give to the organization, A Soldier's Wish List, to send to our troops that are overseas. These items include:

CDs, DVDs, DVD players, MP3 players, video players, hand held video games/board games, digital cameras, watches, and hand and feet warmers. Also electric razors, white and black socks, crocs, warm blankets, microwaves, microwave meals, coffee makers, coffee, sports equipment, remote control cars, T-shirts, shower shoes, sheet sets including flannel ones, M & Ms, chips, slim jims, beef jerky, peanut butter and jelly (squeezable bottles), Ritz crackers, gum, licorice, skittles, starburst, poptarts, Oreos, breakfast bars, AA batteries, AAA batteries, pens, and stationery.

All items can be dropped off at the James J. Eagan Center, the John F. Kennedy Center and/or the Florissant City Hall. We will be accepting items until Monday, November the 10th. For further information please contact Stacy Abbott at the Parks and Recreation Department at 314-921-4250 or you can visit the organization's website at <u>www.asoldierswishlist.org</u>.

"The reason for doing this event is to try and give our troops alittle bit of Christmas. It is extremely hard on the soldiers and their families around the holiday season. We just want to be able to show are support and to let them know we appreciate what they are doing for our country". Mayor Schneider states.

A Soldiers Wish List is a non for profit organization. They have also created Adopt-a-Trooper program to allow others to help out the troops with their wishes. The program has over 167,000 troops who have signed up and over 148,000 adopters from all over the world. For further information and other programs that are available to get involved with please visit the website as mention earlier or call Julieann Najar who is the founder of this organization at 314-868-2264.

"Lets make this holiday season a special one for our troops," adds Mayor Schneider.