



2019 FESTIVAL OF GIVING IMPACT

We were pleased to welcome hundreds of attendees to our 2019 **Festival of Giving!** Big-hearted families of all kinds had loads of fun while making a real difference through their acts of service and kindness-sharing; participation in multicultural performances; donations of needed items; and contributions to a giant cooperative art installation.

Service Project Success Stories



SUNFLOWER SEED MAIL

In partnership with **TPT-Twin Cities Public Television**, guests assembled and decorated 70 packets of sunflower seeds to share with family, neighbors, or friends. Inspired by the "Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood" program, it was a great way for kids to share kindness with those they know.



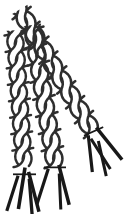
259 LBS. RICE & LENTIL SOUP KITS

By downsizing rice & lentil packages, families created soup kits for those visiting the **Neighborhood House** food markets.



150 HYGIENE KITS

Families filled hygiene kits with toothbrushes, toothpaste, and shampoo which will be distributed by **Union Gospel Mission - Twin Cities** to help those experiencing homelessness.



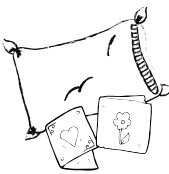
141 DOG TOYS AND 10 FLEECE BLANKETS

To comfort foster dogs, Festival guests braided dog toys and tied fleece blankets for **Act V Rescue and Rehabilitation**.



23 BABY CARE KITS with 2,280 Diapers & 1,140 Wipes

Attendees unpacked thousands of diapers and wipes to be repackaged into care kits to be distributed by **Second Stork** to families in need throughout Minnesota.



CHILDREN'S DREAM KITS with 20 Fleece Blankets, 32 Cards, and 51 Decorated Pillowcases

To help families transitioning to stable housing, Festival guests tied fleece blankets, created handmade cards, and decorated pillowcases to be shared with **My Very Own Bed**.

Music, Mindfulness & Kindness Activities

T-SHIRTS, BUTTONS & TEMPORARY TATTOOS

Our **#ShareKindness** hashtag was worn with pride as kids spread the message of kindness with buttons, temporary tattoos, and their own Festival T-shirts from **The Teehive**.



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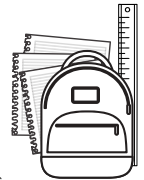
402 PAIRS OF SOCKS DONATED

Many families arrived at the Festival with socks in hand; others bought socks to play in our toss game. All 402 pairs went to **Simpson Housing Services** for their clients.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES DONATED

Festival goers donated a variety of school supplies for the **International Institute of Minnesota** to distribute to newly arrived immigrant families. Donations included 43 notebooks, 30 boxes of crayons, 19 boxes of markers, 15 folders, pencil packs, glue/glue sticks, colored pencils, scissors, backpacks, water bottles, and more.



SAVE/SPEND/SHARE PIGGY BANKS

Thanks to a donation from **Thrivent Financial**, young philanthropists got to decorate and take home piggy banks that encourage donating as well as saving.



GIVING BAGS

Children decorated **Doing Good Together** Giving Bags to take home and routinely fill with donated goods for their local food shelf.



SERVICE DOG MEET & GREET

Volunteers from **Helping Paws** brought in service dogs for children to pet. Families were able to discuss the important role these canine companions play for those with a variety of disabilities.



MUSIC & MINDFULNESS

Families experienced the joy of music with **MacPhail Center for Music**. With help from **Learning Tree Yoga**, kids made breathing sticks and participated in an end-of-Festival group yoga session.



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