

# NEWS

## VOLUNTEER CENTER OF BERGEN COUNTY, INC.

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### Give the Gift of “Good” for the Holidays

Holiday shopping does not have to be extravagant or stressful. The Volunteer Center of Bergen County is unveiling a new program, just in time for the holidays that can solve the question “what do you give a person who has everything?”

The **“Do Good. Feel Good. Give Good”** program allows a person to make a donation in another’s name, as an alternative to a conventional gift. Tributes can be made for all kinds of occasions: births, marriages, birthdays, anniversaries, as well as the holidays. Making a donation in another’s name is also a great way to honor a deserving individual, such as an outstanding parent, teacher or boss.

A monetary donation will support the Center’s annual holiday gift initiative, “All Wrapped Up”. The money will be used to provide gift cards for Bergen and Passaic County residents in need— low income children and families, troubled youth, lonely seniors and disabled adults, all of whom could be passed over this holiday season unless generous donors come forward to offer assistance.

Gift donations can be made on-line at [www.bergenvolunteers.org](http://www.bergenvolunteers.org). Each donation will be acknowledged with an elegant, customized card sent to the person being honored, along with a description of the Volunteer Center and the All Wrapped Up program. Gift donations purchased on-line by 12:00 noon on Monday, December 21<sup>st</sup> will be delivered by December 25<sup>th</sup>.

“Making a gift to charity in someone’s name is a way to honor that person while making your dollars do good, as well as making both the gift giver and the recipient feel

great. The donations collected through “Do Good, Feel Good. Give Good” stay in the community--they go to help our neighbors during these difficult economic times,” says Janet Sharma, Executive Director of the Volunteer Center. “Imagine, for less than the cost for dinner and movie, you can provide groceries for a senior’s holiday meal, a beautifully wrapped doll for a little girl to open, or warm clothing for someone who may have lost his home.”

Visit [www.bergenvolunteers.org](http://www.bergenvolunteers.org), or call 201-489-9454 Ext. 125 for more information.

Founded by the Junior League in 1966, the Volunteer Center strengthens the community by connecting people with opportunities to serve, operating model volunteer programs, building capacity for effective volunteering, and participating in strategic partnerships that meet community needs.

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