



Giving Back to the Community - Volunteer Opportunities

The Skagit Valley Herald Christmas Fund is a non-profit, charitable organization that has provided toys, books, and a holiday meal to needy children and their families in Skagit County for over 75 years. Every donation is tax deductible. Tax ID: 91-1304740.

Volunteers: The Skagit Valley Herald Christmas Fund relies on hundreds of community volunteers in its effort to bring a bountiful holiday season to all. By volunteering in the Skagit Valley Herald Christmas Fund Campaign, you will be helping to provide much needed assistance to our less fortunate neighbors this holiday season.

Volunteer Opportunities

Knitting & Crocheting Hats: Throughout the year

- ▲ Knit or crochet hats to fit children up through age 17
- ▲ Yarn provided to those who wish to knit/crochet hats, based on availability

Telephone/Office Help: Mid-November through Mid-December, Mon.-Fri., 10 am – 3 pm

- ▲ Process family registrations in computer
- ▲ Answer questions/ return phone calls
- ▲ English, Spanish, Russian, and Mixteco speakers needed

Gift Bags: Late-November through Mid-December, Mon.-Fri., 10 am – 3 pm

- ▲ Fill gift bags with age-appropriate toys, books, and hats for each family
- ▲ Put bags in numerical order in warehouse upon completion

Toy Distribution: December 17-20, 2025 & Late Registration Dec. 22-23, 2025

3-hour shifts available: 9:30 am – 12:45 pm, and 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm

- ▲ **Traffic:** direct cars into drive-through parking spaces for gift bag receipt
- ▲ **Greeters, English & Spanish/bilingual:** Greet families, and use radio to communicate bag number to team inside warehouse
- ▲ **Computer Help:** Enter information into computer as families pick up their gift bags
- ▲ **Runners:** Get gift bags from warehouse and give to Elves to take to families outside
- ▲ **Gift Bag Elf:** Bring gift bags to families outside in cars



**To Volunteer, please call the Christmas Fund at 360-419-7261
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