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# TO KIDS FROM KIDS

## A Girl Scout Holiday Service Project

*sponsored by the Girl Scouts of Northern California – Greater Bay Area*

## PROJECT GUIDELINES

1. **Early November.** Consider a bank, company, etc. to contact. Call Council to see if your contact is already on Council's list of contributors. If not, approach your contact and share our TKFK mission statement (noted on box flyer).
2. Request approval for placing a holiday decorated box in their facility for a three-week period for collection of donations.
3. Confirm dates for dropping off and picking up the box.
4. **Mid/late November.** Decorate a large size box, complete the attached flyer with the deadline to drop off toys/gifts, secure information on TKFK to drop box. (Girl Scouts helping to brighten the holidays for abused children, ages newborn to 18 years old.)
5. **Weekday prior to Distribution Day.** Pick up the drop box (toys/gifts & box) on the date you agreed to.
6. **Collection Preparation.** Troops have found drop boxes to be an excellent way to collect toys for TKFK. Unfortunately, drop boxes do attract items that are not accepted by our project.  
Your troop's assistance is requested to ensure TKFK receives toys that are:
  - ◇ new
  - ◇ quality
  - ◇ non-violent themed
  - ◇ unwrappedTo expedite drop box deliveries on packing day, your troop can help by removing price tags (peel or cross out with black marker). Some toys are donated incomplete (ex. battery operated toys, paper for art supply kits, tool for craft kits). If possible, donating these items to complete the gift is appreciated.  
To help in this endeavor we ask troops separate, bag and donate used items to Goodwill or Salvation Army.
7. **Distribution Day.** Deliver the toy/gift donations to the TKFK distribution site. (Locations vary, check with project coordinator in your area.)
8. Send a thank you letter to your contact person.

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## MISSION STATEMENT

To brighten the winter holidays for physically and/or emotionally abused or neglected children by ensuring that each child receives a gift.

## TOY COLLECTION BOX

To Kids From Kids is seeking new, non-violent theme, and unwrapped toys to provide to the social workers for children newborn through 18 years old (i.e. educational, board games, dolls, trucks, craft kits, art supplies, books, etc.).

## COLLECTION BOX WILL BE REMOVED ON

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What better way to enjoy the holidays  
– during the season of giving –  
helping abused children!

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For More Information Call: \_\_\_\_\_

## COUNTY PROJECTS

Providing adult Girl Scouts volunteer to host this holiday service project we are up and running. TKFK is committed to reaching out to all five counties within GSSFBA.

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|---------------|---------------|
| 1985-Present: | San Mateo     |
|               | San Francisco |
| 1995-Present: | Alameda       |
| 2002-Present: | Contra Costa  |
| 2003, 2006:   | Marin         |

## GIFT SUGGESTIONS

✧ New ✧ Quality ✧ Non-Violent Theme ✧ Unwrapped

## DEDICATION

Formerly known as “Kids for Kids” the project was started by a probation officer, Edra Robertson, in South San Francisco. She and her troop collected toys to give through Social Services to help abused children.

It was through Edra’s commitment, dedication, diligence and inspiration to the service project that it exists today.

Eda passed away February 13, 1994, but her project continues.

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*a Girl Scout Holiday Service Project  
(founded 1985)*

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(formerly Girl Scouts of San Francisco Bay Area)

## **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

To brighten the holidays for children who have been neglected physically and/or emotionally abused by ensuring them a gift during the December holidays.

## **BRIEF OVERVIEW**

To Kids From Kids (TKFK) is a Girl Scout holiday service project sponsored by the Girl Scouts of San Francisco Bay Area Council (GSSFBA).

TKFK reaches out to abused children, newborn to 18 years old. With the efforts of many volunteers and contributors, these children are ensured a gift during the December holidays.

The annual cycle of this project begins with girl training, builds with the collection of new, quality gifts and culminates in the Distribution (packing) Day, always held the second Saturday in December.

## **PARTICIPATION**

All ages and groups are welcome. It is through a combined effort of Girl Scouts, youth groups and the community that TKFK successfully hosts this holiday service project every year. We have worked with many other groups outside of Girl Scouts including youth and church groups, local schools, Campfire Kids, Boy Scouts, Junior Girls and Ladies Auxiliary Unit 1205 (VFW).

## **SKILLS AND BENEFITS**

Depending on the individual, Girl Scout Troop or Group involvement this service project teaches and/or enhances skills that will be useful in years to come.

Daisy, Brownie and Junior Girl Scouts can learn about:

- Daily money management,
- Team building,
- Goal setting,
- Decision-making,
- Build on creativity,
- Enhance writing, cutting, designing skills.

Cadette, Senior, Studio2B and Juliette Girl Scouts, ages 12-18, can also sign up to volunteer on the project's Distribution (packing) Day. Older girls are encouraged to take greater responsibility with each succeeding year. Older girls who take their role to a broader level are part of the "Team Coordinating Board" and can:

- Improve their leadership and organizational skills,
- Develop their ability to confront and problem solves,
- Gain communication and presentation knowledge,
- Earn parts of their Cadette and Senior Awards.