



KCAPS' NEWSLETTER



SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

If you have participated in bell ringing the last few years, you should have or will soon receive a text or phone call asking if you will ring the bell this year. If you TEXT Amanda at 559 426-0320 she can either refer you to our on-line calendar or help you calendar your selected date.

If you didn't receive a text or phone call or haven't volunteered before you may volunteer by contacting our office and asking for JoAnn (559 897-7961).

Thanks in advance for volunteering! 10% of the funds raised go directly to the Salvation Army for administration and other areas of ministry. As an example, they were able to help a number of Creek Fire victims and supported the fire fighters while on duty. **90% of the funds raised stay in Kingsburg to help your neighbors in need.** Your cash and checks are appreciated.



KCAPS' FOOD DRIVE - 2025

Bags will be dropped on your doorstep prior to November 10th

NOVEMBER 10th - NOVEMBER 17th

PLEASE DELIVER YOUR FILLED BAG TO KCAPS

(1139 Draper Street – Kingsburg)

Office Door Delivery - Monday thru Thursday 9:00 – 12:00

Back-of-store delivery (same place as store donations)

Our goal is 28,000 pounds of food. Thank you.

Monday thru Saturday 9:00 – 3:00

We are counting on your donation!

HELP NEEDED FOR BAG DELIVERY. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE TO VOLUNTEER.

KCAPS' "FOODCONOMICS"

January – September 2025

- Visits for food 1,761[^]
- Individuals served 5,142
- Meals provided 25,710*

*Goal - Average 5 + meals per person in household

[^]One time per month maximum. Many households come less often.

Monthly grant funds from Kingsburg Healthcare District help us provide food etc., and tutoring.



COME ONE, COME ALL TO THE TRAVER HARVEST FESTIVAL

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

3:00 – 5:00 pm



TCAPS – 3957 Kitchner Drive - Traver

GAMES & PRIZES

FUN FOR ALL AGES!

WEAR YOUR COSTUME!



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CHRISTMAS WITH DIGNITY – TOY STORES

What is this ministry about? Rather than just giving away toys – we put together special toy stores in Kingsburg, London, and Traver. Parents sign up – pay a nominal fee of \$5.00 per child (or less if we feel it is warranted) – and then can shop themselves for brand new toys and clothing for each of their children. That's where the dignity comes in. Just like you, these parents want to provide for their own children. This allows them to do that, by giving them an opportunity for a hand-up, not a handout. We bundle the gifts according to age and gender – each bundle being valued at \$35.00 – or more. The gifts are obtained through donations of new unwrapped toys, or financial gifts to KCAPS. We take the designated funds and go shopping, for thousands of dollars of toys and clothing.



Although it's October we are already in the planning stages for these important, BIG, successful events. In last year we had **700 children** blessed through this ministry. **Stimulus money is gone and lots of these families fell through the cracks anyway. We know lots of kids are still stressed – our counselors are working with them. You can help!**

We never know the actual number of children to anticipate until the signup period is over. During the signup process we do our best to discern between families who truly need this ministry and those who may wish to take advantage.



Every year our staff also identifies children we believe need a special boost and some positive attention in their lives. These children come from families who did not sign up to participate. Typically, their parents for one reason or another aren't functioning well in life, and their children are reaping the consequences. Toys are selected and delivered by staff or one of our local pastors.

Traditionally, our toys have been donated primarily by local churches and through the Kingsburg Elementary schools. Frankly we feel the schools have enough on their plates, so we are not collecting through the schools this year.



We don't want to leave out a single deserving child! **Please let us know now how you plan to help.**



This year we have two community drop off locations for your toy donations.

- KCAPS office - 1139 Draper Street Mon – Thurs 9:00 – 12:00
- Kingsburg Chamber of Commerce - 1475 Draper Street Mon-Fri 9:00 – 5:00

Toy donations may also be taken to a participating church.

Financial donations allow KCAPS' Staff to shop on your behalf . Please mail your check to 1139 Draper Street. Please notate Christmas on your check.

Please make your financial donation, or donations of new unwrapped toys before November 26th.

**Please feel free to share the included informational sheet with your neighbors.
Thank you in advance for your generosity.**