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For further Information, call Boys & Girls Club Unit (815) 332-4988

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF ROCKFORD HELPING AFGHANI CHILDREN

The Boys & Girls Club Unit's Torch Club, a community service, character and leadership based club with members aged 11-13, has taken on the cause of collecting school supplies for the youth of Afghanistan. Unit Director, Derek Papich, has coordinated the effort in cooperation with American Family Insurance, and Captain David Green, whom is stationed in Afghanistan.

All types of school supplies are needed, but the basics are the priority items such as pens, pencils, notebooks, scissors, glue sticks, erasers, etc. Basic personal necessity items are also being collected for the troops stationed overseas in Afghanistan including soaps, shaving needs, deodorant, etc.

American Family agents throughout the area will be using their offices as drop off sites for anyone in the community willing to donate school supplies or toiletry items for the troops through December 14, 2007.

On December 16, the supplies will be sorted, packed and shipped by Boys & Girls Club members and their families as well as American Family agents and their families at the Flodin Unit located at Mill & Lyford Road.

Participating American Family Agencies that will be accepting donations are listed below. If you are interested in donating items or making a monetary donation to aid in the shipping of these supplies, please contact the Flodin Unit at (815) 332-4988.

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Agency Donation Sites:

Rockford Locations:

Al Lang Agency	Larry Lang Agency	Brad Streeter Agency
1944 Daimler Rd.	5411 E. State, Suite 201	4040 Charles St.
Rockford, IL 61112	Rockford, IL 61108	Rockford, IL 61108
815-398-3210	815-229-1071	815-397-1614

Tim Sreenan Agency

3266 11th St.

Rockford, IL 61108

815-398-0731

Doug Sreenan Agency

3326 11th St.

Rockford, IL 61108

815-398-3320

Loves Park Locations:

Clif Strock Agency

5801 N. Second Street

Loves Park, IL 61111

815-633-2647

Dave Urbelis Agency

5921 Forest Hills Rd

Loves Park, IL 61114

815-877-5441

Dan Gordon Agency

6182 E. Riverside Blvd.

Loves Park, IL 61114

815-637-1017

Terri Ford Agency

6182 E. Riverside Blvd

Loves Park, IL 61114

815-637-4405

Roscoe Location:

Melodi Broege Agency

11742 N. Main St.

Roscoe, IL 61073

815-623-8800

Belvidere Location:

Doug Proudfoot Agency

1204 N. State St.

Belvidere, IL 61008

815-547-4747

Sterling Location:

Steve Habben Agency

414 E. 3rd St.

Sterling, IL 61081

815-626-5752

Rochelle Location:

Joe Primrose Agency

700 Carrie Ave.

Rochelle, IL 61068

815-562-6874

Marengo Location:

Ray Jones Agency

821 E. Grant Highway

Marengo, IL 61052