

Henderson Settlement Christmas Season Needs

Henderson Settlement is again planning for a busy Christmas season and needs our help. From its start in 1925, their mission has grown and changed to meet the growing needs of this remote community and they now assist mothers and babies, children and youth, as well as senior adults.

The needs are increasing as the Covid pandemic continues to affect everything including jobs, food insecurity and schools. In-kind donations and monetary gifts, however, have declined.

The need for items for the food boxes given out each month by the Henderson Settlement **Food Pantry** has grown due to their inability to secure many of these items from the regional food pantry. Specific items needed are: peanut butter, canned vegetables, pasta, fruit juice and non perishable items.

Last year over 400 Christmas Food Boxes were distributed. This Christmas they expect the need to be even greater and are anticipating a cost of over \$3,000.00. Checks should be made out to 'Henderson Settlement' with '**Christmas Food Box**' in the memo line.

The **Baby Pantry** program which supports mothers, babies, and children up to 5 years of age is requesting donations of layette items such as bottles, blankets and onesies; diapers sizes 5-6; and clothes for children ranging from infants to 5 years of age in any size.

The **Christmas Wish List** for girls (ages 10-17) includes scrunchies, makeup brushes, goofy socks, purses Art supplies, Bath and body lotions, Throws, and hair accessories. The Wish list for boys (ages 10-17) includes fishing gear, baseball caps, hot wheels, tents, sleeping bags, Pocket knives, fishing poles, Outdoor tool kits, Flashlights and shaving sets.

Donations can be placed in the boxes located inside the entrance and exit doors to the Sanctuary and New Life Building. Checks should be made out to '**Henderson Settlement**' with a specific program named in the memo line. These can be turned in to the church office or brought to the drive-by drop off. The drive-by drop off will be held on Wednesday, October 19th, from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm at the parking lot entrance of the Family Life Center.

Thank you for your prayers for, consideration of, and donations to help the babies, children, youth and senior adults who depend on the Henderson Settlement Programs for assistance.