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Downers Grove Moose Family Center collected **Toy-for-Tots**.

A staple of the Downers Grove community since 1930 the Downers Grove Moose Family Center #1535 and the Women of the Moose Chapter #973 located at 1030 Warren Avenue was a drop of point for **Toys-for-Tots**. "On Friday, December 19th, Rita O'Reilly, working with the Marines, picked up all toys collected by our lodge and chapter" says Roy A. Brown III, Governor of the Downers Grove Moose Family Center. Brown stated that participation of 100+ members helped make this the largest collection of toys by our lodge and a great Christmas for children in need in our local community.

Multiple family events were planned and run where members were asked to bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate to **Toys-for-Tots**. And donate members did. Four full boxes of toys were picked up and will be distributed in the local community.

Moose International is an organization of nearly 1 million members that are active in four nations dedicated to bettering the lives of children and the elderly in need, and helping to make communities better places in which to live. Along with other units of Moose International, the Loyal Order of Moose supports the operation of Mooseheart Child City & School, a 1,000-acre community for children and teens in need, located 40 miles west of Chicago; and Moosehaven, a 63-acre retirement community for its members near Jacksonville, FL. Additionally, Moose Lodges conduct approximately \$95 million worth of community service annually.

For more information on the Downers Grove Moose Family Center #1535 visit www.dgmoose.org or contact us at 630-968-4550