



STRiVE and MDS

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Dear Community Member,

The holidays are upon us!

STRiVE and MDS have a wonderful annual tradition of creating holiday baskets for low-income families who have a child with a disability. It is expensive for all families to raise a child, but research has shown that raising a child with special needs can more than *quadruple* the cost, making holidays extras difficult. We are thankful for the support you have provided to our families in the past and we hope you will consider contributing again in one of these ways:

- ❖ Sponsorship of a family – MDS and STRiVE will provide the sponsor with a wish list; the sponsor will purchase gifts and/or food for a specific family
- ❖ Cash donations that MDS and STRiVE will use to purchase food, toys and gift cards
- ❖ Gift Cards for groceries
- ❖ Gift cards for toys and gifts for the family

If you would like to sponsor a family or donate towards our holiday basket program this year, **please contact me by December 8.**

Please remember any contribution helps us reach our goal of supporting 30-35 families this holiday season. Thank you for helping make this season a brighter time of year for a special family!

Sincerely,

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