

# 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Scouting Toy Fair

**December 1, 2018**

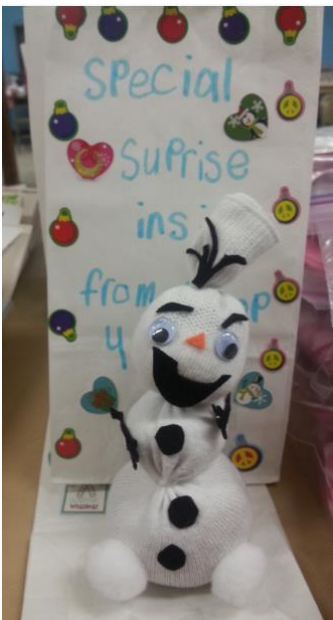
Donations received 9:00 – Noon  
Toy Fair Program Noon -12:30

**Drop Off Location**

Highline United Methodist Church  
13015 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. S.  
Burien, WA 98168

**What is Toy Fair?**

Toy Fair is a grand-scale service project that happens the first Saturday of December. It was created to assist social service agencies in South King County to support the needs of people in our local communities. Scout troops from all over the area donate their homemade toys and gifts to Social Service Agencies who then distribute them to families in need in time for the holidays.



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# Toy Fair Committee Contacts

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## Ways Troops Can Participate

- Make gifts for kids.
- Help at the collection site the day of the event.
- Participate in the patch contest
- Coordinate a collection day prior to the event in your neighborhood or Service Area for troops that might not be able to deliver their gifts. (Be sure paperwork and contact information is included for each group's items.)
- Send us contact information for Social Service Agencies that could benefit from this project.

## Toy Fair Day Schedule

December 1, 2018  
Highline United Methodist Church  
13015 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. S.  
Burien, WA 98168

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.	Set up. No toys or Gifts will be accepted during this time.
9:00 – 12:00 Noon	Gift delivery by troops and viewing. Please be sure all items you bring have registration paper work including unit number and contact information.
12:00 – 12:10 p.m.	Short program – Meet the Social Service Agencies
12:10 – 12:30 p.m.	Agencies choose gifts for their communities.
12:30 – 1:00 p.m.	Clean up

# Gift Guidelines and Ideas

- Gifts need to be new, not used, and preferably handmade by the youth in your troop.
- Gifts for all ages and genders are welcome.
- Think about the child receiving your gift. Is this something you would like to receive?
- Consider simple, but much needed items, such as no sew blankets, crochet hats and scarves, toiletry items, t-shirts with a unique design, etc.
- Gifts should meet age appropriate safety standards, for example, a toddler toy should have no sharp edges or small pieces that could easily be removed. Use common sense.

## Unacceptable items:

- Please NO FOOD or CANDY items that are intended to be eaten. Due to Health Department regulations, we are not allowed to accept food items, and this is not intended to be a food drive. Items such as homemade play dough or bean bags are acceptable as the contents are not intended to be eaten.
- Fragile items or Christmas decorations, although timely, are not appropriate Toy Fair gifts. If possible, please avoid providing gifts with breakable items.
- Used clothing and toys are not appropriate gifts.

Gifts for all ages of children, such as toys and chalkboards, or useful gifts such as scarves and toiletry kits are all great ideas! Some past projects are:

## For Babies:

- Hooded towels, baby hats, blankets or quilts, bibs

## For Toddlers:

- Pillows and blankets, soft dolls or stuffed animals

## For School age children:

- Games and Pencil boxes with school supplies.
- Decorate backpacks for school.
- Sock Puppets



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For more inspiration throughout the year, follow us on Facebook at  
"Toy Fair: Scouting Service Project."  
Pinterest is another great resource for endless gift ideas.  
Go to [Pinterest.com](https://www.pinterest.com).

## Gift Packaging

- For small gifts, enclose each individual gift in a Ziploc bag or other secure wrapper.
- Enclose your Troop or unit number on a small piece of paper or copy one of the greetings below.
- **Do not** include youth names on the greetings.
- Be sure items with small multiple parts are appropriately packaged.



***Happy Holidays!***

***From Troop #***



***Seasons Greetings!***

***From Troop #***

# History of Toy Fair

Toy Fair's mission is to assist social service agencies in South King County to support the needs of people in our local communities, while providing opportunities for Scouts to be of service and gain skills and advancement. Over the years, multiple Girl Scout troops have donated quality gifts to warm the hearts of those in need during the holiday season.

Toy Fair originated in 1977 and after 30 years of dedication the original troop and their leaders decided to pass the torch.

Since 2007, Girl Scout Troop 50870 has ensured the continuation of this program.

In 2009, the program was expanded to the Eastside and North King County.

In 2015 the Boy Scouts of America, Chief Seattle Council began participating as well.

Your contributions to support this service project are greatly appreciated. We look forward to your help in our efforts to expand the outreach of our project so we can touch the lives of as many families as possible.

## Agencies that have Participated in Toy Fair

- Auburn Head Start
- Des Moines Area Food Bank
- Highline Head Start
- Horizon House
- Kent Child Development Center
- Kent Head Start
- Multi-Service Center
- North Seattle Family Resource Center
- Pregnancy Aid of Auburn
- Pregnancy Aid of Kent
- Pregnancy Aid of South King County
- Providence Regina House
- Seafair Pirates
- Sibling House
- St. Vincent de Paul of St. Bernadette Parish
- United Methodist Group
- Wellspring Family Services
- YWCA of South King County

# 2018 TROOP/UNIT REGISTRATION and PATCH ORDER FORM

## PATCH ELIGIBILITY

Each person who makes a Toy or Gift for Toy Fair, or collects and delivers items to the display site, or participates in the patch contest, or helps on the collection day, or serves on the committee is eligible to purchase a patch.

## PATCH DESIGN CONTEST

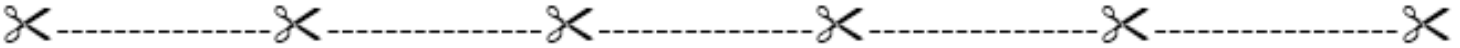
**DESIGN** this year's Patch! We will accept entries through October 25, 2018. The patch design winner receives ten free patches for their troop.

## ORDERING AND RECEIVING PATCHES – VERY IMPORTANT!!

To help ensure we order enough patches, please e-mail Sue Fore prior to Toy Fair Day how many patches you will be purchasing. [ToyFairScouts@gmail.com](mailto:ToyFairScouts@gmail.com)

Please bring/send the actual form on Toy Fair Day with your payment or scan and e-mail this form to us at the above e-mail address.

For questions, please call Linda at (206) 369-5798.



Please complete the information below:

Troop/Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_ Service Unit/District Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Troop/Unit Leader Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Troop/Unit Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Troop Contact E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity	Item Description

**Toy Fair patches will be available at the event when you drop off your items.**

NUMBER OF PATCHES ORDERED: \_\_\_\_\_ X 2.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL PAID \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please pay by cash or check. Make checks payable to GSWW Toy Fair**

# 2018 Patch Design Entry Form

Please submit no later than October 25, 2018.

**Leaders:** Feel free to copy this form for your troop. Please be sure each form is completed with all requested information before submitting to the Toy Fair committee.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** Please remind your Scouts that religious themes and trademark designs (including Scout emblems) cannot be used and will disqualify the entry. The design entry is subject to change and may be redrawn to meet graphic requirements of the patch company. The designs should be an original idea and should NOT resemble previous years' patches. An idea that was submitted previously but not chosen, can be redrawn and resubmitted. We encourage this as there are so many good choices every year.

All entries may be mailed in one envelope.

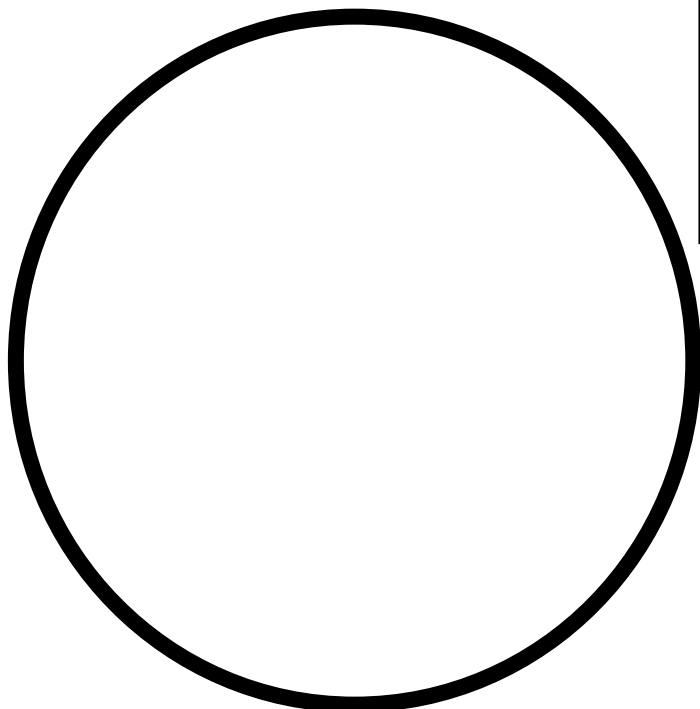
Please mail entries to: Theresa Witt  
Toy Fair Patch Contest  
32713 19<sup>th</sup> PL S. #Q104  
Federal Way, WA 98003

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## 42nd Annual Toy Fair Patch Contest

The patch design may be any number of colors and must include the following information:

1. Toy Fair
2. 2018



Scout's Name:	_____
Leader's Name:	_____
Troop/Unit #:	_____
Phone#:	_____
Service Unit/District Name:	_____
Leader e-mail:	_____
Leader phone #:	_____