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HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE UNDER WAY TO BENEFIT CEDAR GROVE CHILDREN

CEDAR GROVE, W.Va. – Valley Health announces its partnership with Cedar Grove Volunteer Fire Department to collect toys for children this holiday season.

Valley Health – Upper Kanawha is among several organizations partnering with the fire department to collect toys for 122 children throughout the Cedar Grove community.

Individuals wishing to donate toys can do so by dropping off unwrapped, new toys to the Valley Health – Upper Kanawha health center at 408 Alexander St. in Cedar Grove. Toys will be accepted until Dec. 18 and will be distributed to families Dec. 23 at the Cedar Grove Community School. The event will be hosted for recipient families and will include musical entertainment and a visit from Santa.

“Our hope is that we can reach each of the 122 children,” Sue Ann Easterday, office coordinator of Valley Health – Upper Kanawha, said. “We have been fortunate to collect many toys, including bikes, toy cars and dolls, but we are still in need of items for children ages newborn through 2 years as well as children ages 9 through 13.”

Other partners include City National Bank, Cedar Grove Community School, Family Dollar in Quincy, New Life Center Church and Twin Hills Restaurant. Among donations received, are 15 bicycles donated by Massey Energy as well as several items donated by community members.

For more information about the Cedar Grove toy drive, please contact Sue Ann Easterday at Valley Health – Cedar Grove by calling 304-595-1770.

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