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Rockland Firefighters Local 1602

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ROCKLAND FIREFIGHTERS JOIN WITH MARINES IN “TOYS-FOR-TOTS” DRIVE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Rockland Firefighters will once again partner with the United States Marine Corps Reserve in collecting toys in the annual "Toys-for-Tots" drive. Now in its 64th year, the program was started in Los Angeles, CA when a handful of marine Reservists distributed 5,000 toys to needy children on Christmas Eve, 1947.

Since its inception, over 195,000,000 needy children throughout the United States have benefited from the donation of almost 416,000,000 toys.

Toys-for-Tots is a program that brings all elements of a community together for a common cause for a few months each year, dedicated to helping in the development of our children. Toys-for-Tots delivers a message of hope to children who have little reason to have hope for the future.

The Rockland Fire Department is once again proud to work with the Marines in this great endeavor. New, unwrapped toys may be dropped off at the Rockland Fire Station, 360 Union St., beginning November 15, 2011 until January 1, 2011.

Monetary donations can also be made via the Toys-For-Tots Website; www.toysfortots.org

For further information, contact the Rockland Fire Department at 781-878-2123 or visit the Rockland Firefighters web site at www.rocklandfirefighters.org

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