

Would you like to help?



**CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY
OF TUCSON**
WHERE LOVE LEADS TO ACTION

"We are called to
challenge poverty one
child at a time."

We welcome you to join us at CCST
at any level of
time, talent or treasure.

The Christ Child Society of Tucson is both
a 501(c)3 organization and a
Qualifying Charitable Organization
(as of 9/1/2023)
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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT
OF REVENUE



The Little Red Wagon became a symbol of the Christ Child Society, founded by Mary Virginia Merrick, as the result of a Christmas wish. Paul, the son the Merrick family laundress, designated himself as Mary's errand boy.

In 1884, Miss Mary asked him what he wanted for Christmas. He replied that he wanted a red wagon to help his mother deliver the wash, but then quickly added that his family was not celebrating Christmas because his father was out of work. She then suggested that he write a letter to the Christ Child asking Him for the red wagon. Paul asked, "Who is He?" She replied, "He is the Giver of all good gifts!" and Christmas was His birthday.

A few days later Paul returned with the letters from his siblings and friends. Mary gathered her sewing circle friends, asking each to fill a wish. On Christmas Day, the red wagon and other gifts were given to the children, marked simply "From the Christ Child". Since then volunteers have been driven by faith, love and a desire to make a difference.

Today over 5,500 members in 45 chapters volunteer nearly 400,000 hours and serve more than 75,000 children and their families annually.



Christ Child Society of Tucson
PO Box 36212
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The Christ Child Society opened its Tucson chapter in 1971 and has been serving those children most in need for over 50 years.

Through all these years we have adhered to our founder's motto:

**"Nothing is ever too much to
do for a child."**



Membership / Donation

- ☐ I would like to know more about becoming a member of the Christ Child Society of Tucson.
- ☐ I would like to help an at-risk child by contributing to the Christ Child Society of Tucson. Please accept my tax deductible donation for \$

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: () _____

All gifts are tax deductible.
Please visit our website
(www.christchildtucson.org) to
contribute by credit card or mail us
at the address below.

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Time & Talent

Layette Assembly

- Knitting & crocheting baby items and combining them with books, handmade blankets and toys for new mothers in need.
- Showers of Love – A special event where members present layettes to agencies working with single mothers.



Literacy

- Reading to children in classrooms

WINGS (Helping Foster Teens) Program

- Help sew drawstring bags, pack with hygiene items and a daily devotional.
- Help assemble and deliver.

Fundraising

- Red Wagon / Denim & Diamonds Annual Dinner/Auction.
- Virtual Fundraisers

Meetings

- Held monthly September - May.

Treasure

Layettes of Love Program:

Donate to build/assemble layettes

New baby items and handmade blankets, booties, sweaters, and hats are bundled together with books and information for new mothers in need:

Layette Items (blankets, sleepers, bibs, onesies)

Skeins of yarn

Diapers / wipes

Infant books



Literacy / Nutrition Programs:

Please consider donating or volunteering. This program promotes the joy of reading by reading with and giving books to K-3rd Graders. Statistics show that 60% of low-income children have no books in their homes.

WINGS Foster Teen Program:

Donate to purchase hygiene items and materials for drawstring bags

Drawstring bag (fabric, lining, cording)

Daily devotional (*Jesus Calling* books)

Hygiene supplies (body wash, shampoo)

Clothing (socks / underwear)

100% of your gift goes to the children.

All donations are Tax Deductible 501(c)3

Mission

The Christ Child Society of Tucson is a non-profit association of volunteers dedicated to expressing their love of Christ by their personal service to God's children in need, regardless of race or creed.



We serve

- Native American Reservations
- Infant and Parenting Programs
- School Nutrition Programs
- Literacy Programs
- Foster Teen Services