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December 26, 2011

Chief Dan Belville San Mateo Fire Dept. 1900 O'Farrell St. Suite 140 San Mateo, CA 94403

Dear Chief, Josh and Firefighters,

Our grateful thanks for your generous donation of beautiful toys to be given out to needy families in our "Toys for Tots" program here at St. Anthony's. Many children had a happier Christmas because of the work of all your Firefighters. We hope we can count on you again next year.

Over 2000 children received gifts, or bicycles, this year on the 23rd of Dec. or on Christmas Eve. The bicycle distribution was so heartwarming as we gave instructions about always wearing their helmets and the importance of locking their bikes. We have the privilege of seeing the happy faces on the children as they receive their gifts, and that is our reward. We will post some of these photos on the Facebook section of our website.

Again, we thank you for your continued support. We can't do it alone and sincerely hope you will share with us again next year. When we embrace the needs of those around us, our own lives are enriched.

May God bless each of you and may you all enjoy good health and much happiness in the New Year 2012!

Sincerely,

Betty Steidel,

Toy Program Coordinator

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