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DOC Participates in Holiday Giveaway

On December 22, DC DOC participated in a holiday donation giveaway held by the DC General Hospital shelter (located directly across the street from the jail). Prior to the event, DOC staff set up boxes in both the jail and headquarters to receive donations, which were then taken to the shelter and given to the children.

The donations given by DOC included winter items, such as new hats, gloves, and scarves. However, the shelter also gave away backpacks, toys, and other clothing, which DOC staff helped pass out.

“The children and the parents were so grateful, and I wish that all who gave could have witnessed the smiles of joy on the many faces,” said Warden William Smith. “You couldn’t help but feel a sense of pride and feel the joy of giving.”

Corporal Laurrine Ellis, who helped spearhead the donations, agreed. “I wish to express the most gracious thanks to our entire Department of Corrections community for the success we had with our annual Charity Christmas Drive to supply gifts to the children who live in the shelter,” she said. “Your spirited response to requests for newly purchased hats, scarves, and gloves as a charitable donation filled many hearts with joy and comfort. It also attests to what we know at the DOC — love is the gift of one’s self.”



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Happy Holidays from Director Faust



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DOC Celebrates with Annual Holiday Party in ODR

For the fourth year in a row, DOC's appreciation committee partnered with the One Fund committee to host a holiday celebration in the ODR on Friday, December 11.

The event took place from 10am to 5:30pm and included food, dancing, music, and lots of laughter. In addition, Director Faust announced that the agency had once again been named the top donating agency for the One Fund Campaign and raffled off a \$100 gift card to Macy's out of those staff members who had pledged to be fair share givers during the campaign.

More photos of the event can be found on the agency's tumblr and Facebook pages (<http://dcdoc.tumblr.com> and <http://facebook.com/dccorrections>). Both pages are open to the public.

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