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APG South Heralds Holiday Season with Annual Food, Toy and Gift Drive

Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. – APG South kicks off this year's holiday season with its 24th Annual Food, Toy and Gift Drive collecting donations at nearly 30 locations across the Edgewood Area from Oct. 31 to Dec. 2.

Aiming to help less fortunate families at this time of the year, sponsoring organizations invite their workforce members to support this charitable campaign with generous donations of new toys and gifts for all ages, as well as non-perishable, non-expired food items.

Collected food items will be donated to the Mason Dixon Community Services, an organization that provides emergency food and energy assistance to low-income residents in Harford County. New toy donations will be handed over to Extreme Family Outreach, an organization that provides after school and summer programs for elementary- and middle school-aged youth in Edgewood, Joppatowne, and Havre de Grace.

In an effort to provide military families a blessed and special holiday season, APG South also invites workforce members to sponsor families that were selected through Army Community Services. Please find more information on children's wish lists at the following Sharepoint link and click on the family you wish to sponsor:

<https://ftg.apgea.army.mil/Lists/Adoptfamily/Families.aspx>.

Following the Food, Toy and Gift Drive closing ceremony at ECBC's Berger Auditorium/Building E3549 on Dec. 6 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., the Mason Dixon Community Services, Extreme Family Outreach and the Army Community Services will ensure the delivery of donations to their recipients.

Sponsoring organizations include the Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives (ACWA); Chemical Materials Agency (CMA); ECBC; Joint Program Executive Office for Chemical Biological Defense (JPEO-CBD); Joint Project Manager Nuclear Biological Chemical Contamination Avoidance (JPM-NBCCA); Joint Project Manager for Biological Defense (JPM-BD); Joint Project Manager for Guardian (JPM-Guardian); Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense (MRICD); and Headquarters, Research, Development and Engineering Command.

Please click on this Sharepoint link to find more information on this year's Food, Toy and Gift Drive: <https://ftg.apgea.army.mil/default.aspx>

Drop-off boxes for new toys and non-perishable, non-expired food items will be positioned at the following locations:

• ACWA: E3331 • CMA: E4405, E4517, E4585, E4588, E5141 • ECBC: E3150, E3160, E3300, E3330, E3400, E3510, E3549, E3831, E4465, E4470, E5100, E5232, E5234, E5560, E5961 • JPEO-CBD: E5101 • JPM-NBCCA: E2800 • JPM-BD: E3551 • JPM-Guardian: E2800 • MRICD: E3100 • HQ, RDECOM: E5101

For more information about ECBC, visit <http://www.ecbc.army.mil/>.

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