



Thank you to all who have stepped up to support our military men and women thus far!

Raising Money for the Troops!

Only \$5,400 needed To Reach Our Funding Campaign Goal 2020 of \$60,000

The Giving Tree for the Troops Has Changed This Year!

Supporting our Troops at Christmas time has become a great venue to thank them, as well as their families for their dedication to our country and the sacrifices they all make on our behalf, to ensure our freedoms, which we so richly enjoy. **However, things are changing for this year due to COVID.**

We have **15 military families** we've adopted for the holidays and have decided it is best to be a bit more cautious this year and instead of you having to go to the clubhouse to pick the name off the tree and record it with the front desk, then go out to purchase the gift, then drop it back at the clubhouse, we are requesting monetary donations in lieu of the gifts.

Our goal is to raise \$700 per family, any portion of a donation will help support our military families. This will allow the parents to purchase the gifts for their children (our families average between 3 – 5 children) and have some left over to help with end of the month and holiday expenses. You may donate one of two avenues: (Hopefully, we'll be back to the Giving Tree for the Troops next year)

- Make a check payable to For Families of Active Military (FFAM) and mail to the address below
- Visit our website www.FFAMSoCal.org and hit the donate button (specify it's for Christmas)
- Or you may donate gift cards and mail to the address below

Donations are beginning immediately and concluding December 5th.

A Brief synopsis of some of Adopted Military Families for Christmas this year, as submitted by their FROs:

Cpl Gabriela is pregnant with her second child and her husband lost his job back in March when COVID-19 hit. He just started a new job but took an immense pay cut and they are really struggling. She is so sweet! They love to cook, and he loves to build model cars. There are no special needs issues with the kids, but employment situation has really taken a toll on them.

Cpl Andrea has a 3-month-old baby and her husband is out of work. He used to be active duty but got out and due to COVID-19 is having a challenging time securing a job.

SSgt Patrick recently divorced, and he and ex-wife are excellent coparents and really trying to make sure they work together to take care of all the kids' needs. Elijah has autism but is high functioning; he has trouble with emotions and social situations. SSgt Weber sees the kids every day and can still be continually active in their lives. With 4 kids and a fresh divorce, money is tight on both sides.

Cpl Ariel is pregnant with her second child. Her husband is deployed, and she will have 2 babies under two. There's no family close by and so she's having to do all things herself right now.

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Mail to : FFAM, 5425 Via Fonte | Yorba Linda | CA | 92886 or Drop off & place inside the drawer of the table at the front door