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NSYMCA Shares Halloween Candy Donations with Troops

Northbrook, IL; November, 2021 - Despite the ongoing pandemic, the North Suburban YMCA ran its annual “Treats for Troops” social responsibility initiative, collecting over 500 pounds of leftover Halloween candy for troops at the Great Lakes Naval Base. The candy drive was organized by members of the NSYMCA’s Social Responsibility committee who distributed the candy to the base on November 8.

“This is always an exciting opportunity to support the troops and their families,” remarked Kim Nyren, NSYMCA Director of Community Investment. “Although this gesture may seem small, it is a wonderful way to remind our service personnel, as well as veterans of all eras, that we are all thankful for the services and sacrifices they have provided for our country and our families.” 2021 is the NSYMCA’s 6th year delivering candy to the troops with plans to make it a long-standing tradition.

The Y’s participation in “Treats for Troops” is just one of a series of Social Responsibility initiatives taken by Y board members and employees to give back to the wider community. Monthly projects bring Y staff, community volunteers, and local organizations together to expand the Y’s outreach for a variety of causes. Projects have included distributing “Blessing Bags” to the homeless, holiday food drives to help local organizations like Hunger Free Northbrook and Hunger Resource Network, and delivering toys to children’s hospitals in partnership with a child-centered foundation.

“Social responsibility is essential to the Y’s mission all year-round,” explained Kathy Fielding, CEO at the NSYMCA. “Our Y is part of a thriving network of service organizations throughout the northern suburbs, and we are proud to lend a hand when we have the opportunity.”

The North Suburban YMCA is a charitable organization that relies on donations to fund its wide variety of life-changing services for individuals and families, which are made available to all in the community regardless of their ability to pay. For information on how to support to the NSYMCA, contact Kim Nyren, knyren@nsymca.org or 847 272 7250.

About the [North Suburban YMCA](#)

The North Suburban YMCA services Northbrook and 14 surrounding communities with programs and tools that help its residents become healthier, more connected, and confident, ensuring that everyone, regardless of age, income, or background, has the opportunity to learn,

grow, and thrive. The NSYMCA focuses on Youth Development, Healthy Living, and Social Responsibility and is a 501(c)3 charitable organization, inclusive and welcoming to all in our community. Learn more at NSYMCA.org.



Photo Caption: *The North Suburban YMCA ran its annual “Treats for Troops” initiative, collecting over 500 pounds of leftover Halloween candy for troops at the Great Lakes Naval Base.*