



**Ron Kolbus Clubhouse**



## About the Program

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Help make this season special by:

1. Donating money for our elves to shop, or
2. Donating new, unwrapped toys.

## About BGC Ottawa

BGC Ottawa provides free, community-based services, fostering positive relationships and life-changing programs for 5,000 young members each year. As one of Ottawa's largest child and youth charities, we serve 19 neighborhoods through four clubhouses, a satellite location in Kanata, and Camp Smitty in Eganville.

We offer safe, inclusive spaces where kids and teens of all backgrounds can explore opportunities, overcome challenges, and build confidence. Our programs address systemic issues—anti-racism, Reconciliation, 2SLGBTQ+ inclusion, food security, scholarships, and job readiness—promoting equity, support, and opportunity. BGC Ottawa is about creating systemic change and opportunity.

## How You Can Help

Help make the holidays special for Ottawa's children and teens—many for the first time! A gift of just \$30 can bring joy to a Club member this season.

- Participate on your own or with a team.
- Angels include children from ages 6 to 18.
- Please keep the average gift cost around \$30
- **Remember to include our teen members!**

## Wishlist



If you are planning on purchasing your own gifts, last year, our Club Members enjoyed the following gifts:

- Lego or building sets
- Remote control vehicles
- Sports equipment
- Jewelry making kits
- Spa kits and nail polish
- Arts and crafts supplies
- Board games
- Gift cards



While members appreciate all gifts, there are **some items that should not be given.**

These include:

- Food items, including candy or chocolate
- Books
- Video games for specific consoles
- Stuffed animals
- Clothing
- Toy guns (e.g., Nerf guns) or anything containing violence
- Used items

*If you would like to donate items such as food, ask about our Holiday Hamper program!*

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Can I give cash or gift cards?

Yes, cash gifts or gift cards allow us to purchase specific toys or gifts

### How can I donate a physical gift?

Drop off new, unwrapped gifts at the Ron Kolbus Clubhouse (2825 Dumaaurier Ave.) from Monday to Friday, between 12 p.m. and 8 p.m., until December 10. For donations of 10 or more items, we can arrange a pick-up between Dec. 2-12.

### How much should I spend?

We recommend an average budget of \$30 per gift.

### Can I gift wrap the toys?

Please leave gifts unwrapped so we can ensure they are age-appropriate. Our team will handle the wrapping.

### Can I donate gently used toys?

We accept only new, unwrapped gifts.

### Should I include batteries?

Including batteries with gifts is appreciated when needed.

### Can my business or organization get involved?

Absolutely! We encourage businesses and organizations to participate. You can purchase gifts individually or use this as a team-building opportunity. Set up a toy drop-off bin, host a fundraiser, or place a donation jar in a high-traffic area—get creative and help make the holidays brighter for Ottawa's children and youth!



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## Make a Cash Donation

### Online

<https://www.bgcottawa.org/holiday-giving/angel-tree-program>

### Mail

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# Angel Tree Program



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- Board games
- Books
- Clothing
- Food items, including candy or chocolate
- Plush toys
- Toy guns (e.g., Nerf or Super Soaker) or toys that link to violence (e.g., swords, daggers, knives, explosives)
- Video games for specific consoles
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**General Gift Ideas (by age group):**

### ALL AGES:

Arts & crafts supplies/kits  
Decorative LED lights  
Headphones/Mini speakers  
Jewelry-making kits  
LEGO/building sets  
Remote control vehicles  
Spa kits and nail polish  
Sports equipment  
Sports memorabilia/apparel  
Transformers

### AGES 6-8:

Dolls/Action figures  
Hot Wheels  
L.O.L. Surprise!/Bratz/Rainbow High dolls  
VTech Switch & Go

### AGES 9-11:

Karaoke mic/machine  
Painting kits/supplies  
Tech Deck Fingerboards/sets  
Beyblades  
LEGO / LEGO Dots

### AGES 12-14:

LED keyboard / mouse  
Over-the-door basketball hoop  
Party speakers with lights/Galaxy lights

### AGES 15-18:

Stylish bag/backpack  
Makeup sets/brushes  
Personal hygiene kits  
Perfume/cologne  
Gift Cards

**Gift Cards are always a great choice!**  
**Recommended: Canadian Tire, Amazon, Giant Tiger, IKEA, Indigo, MasterCard, President's Choice, Sport Chek, Toys R Us, VISA, and Walmart, Shopping Malls.**



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## HOLIDAY HAMPER PROGRAM

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## Help BGC Ottawa make this a holiday to remember.

Bring smiles to families by supporting BGC Ottawa's Angel Tree and Holiday Hamper programs. A cash gift allows our staff to customize and make last-minute changes to meet the specific and evolving needs of families during this season of giving. BGC Ottawa, formerly the Boys and Girls Club of Ottawa, believes that every child deserves holiday joy. Each year, through the Angel Tree Program, we provide gifts to 2,000 children and youth in vulnerable neighborhoods. Be a change-maker this holiday season by donating money for our elves to shop or by contributing new, unwrapped toys.



**Donate today:**  
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