Holiday Toys for Columbia’s Youth

Columbia Parks and Recreation is teaming up with the Neighborhood Resource Center for the annual Toys for Columbia’s Youth toy drive.

While you are out shopping this holiday season, please pick up an extra toy for a low-income boy or girl. Toys can be dropped off at the Armory Sports Center (701 E. Ash) or the downtown Parks and Recreation office (#1 South Seventh Street). They can also be dropped off at any of the four Jimmy John’s locations in Columbia.

Monetary donations are also being accepted at the Parks and Recreation office, in the form of cash, check or Visa or MasterCard. Donors will receive a letter of acknowledgement for tax deduction purposes. The monetary donations will be used to buy additional toys.

In 2006, more than 230 children were served by the program; each of them received at least three toys. This year, donations will be accepted until December 17.

For more information about being a donor or a recipient, please call Parks and Recreation at 874-7460.