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Press Release

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Toys For Tots Drive Success 2015 *Another record setting year*

(Oswego, IL) On Thursday December 17th the Oswego Fire Protection District hosted our annual Toys for Tots Breakfast at Fire Station #1. Every year we work very closely with all District 308 Jr High schools, the Optimist Club, the Marine Corps, local businesses and community members. The partnership runs a toy drive that ends with a huge breakfast and the toys being loaded for distribution. This year we collected 5,176 toys. Last years collection was just over 4,300. In addition 75 brand new bicycles were collected.

Each school picks 10 lucky students to come to the fire station and be elves for the day. Several community members attend the event along with family and friends of the lucky winners. In total, we fed just over 300 people and fun was had by all. The elves moved and sorted toys for the distribution. They truly worked hard moving the bicycles and literally thousands of toys.

The Oswego Fire Protection District appreciates the outpouring of support from the community as a whole. We would especially like to recognize our local Meijer store located at 2700 Rt 34 in Oswego. The store donated a whopping \$9,000 to the program this year. This amazing donation was used to purchase many of the bicycles and toys for this year. The Meijer Store had representatives at the breakfast and we presented them with a plaque recognizing them for their partnership and contributions to the program.

The toys and bicycles will be delivered to the Oswego Optimist Club for distribution to local families in need this holiday season. We cannot express enough our sincere gratitude to our community that once again showed us why this is such a great place to live and work.

The Oswego Fire Protection District was formed by voter referendum in March of 1936, covers over 60 square miles in the northeast portion of Kendall County and about 1.5 square miles of northwest unincorporated Will County.

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