

National Relief Charities

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Wanted: Santa's Kelpers!





Santa Needs You!

Want to earn points to spend in our fabulous incentive store? Want to help give back to the community?

Feeling a need to spend quality time with the NRC staff (you know you want to)? If you answered 'yes' to any of the above then Santa could use your help! We are seeking volunteers to help us prepare for Christmas!







Please join us as we prepare for another Siouxper Holiday season! Contact Ed Vocu, Program Partner Specialist, for more information on volunteering times and information. Ed can be reached toll free at 866-556-2472 or emailed at edvocu@nrc1.org





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Christmas Requests:

- First come first serve
- Must be current on reports
- Program partners who did not report on Christmas last year are not eligible
- Deadline is October 15th
- Late requests will not be considered

Healthy Living

Healthy Living is the most utilized service at NRC. We send items to programs serving the community. These services include:

Classes Home Visits

Appointments

If your program offers any of the above, you can receive items to use as incentives to promote positive participation in your program.





Healthy Living classes must have an educational component focusing on self-improvement and needs to be offered on a reoccurring basis. NRC hopes the incentives will:

- -Increase class attendance
- Open the door for home visits
- -Decrease appointment no-shows
- -Encourage future participation
- -Create referrals
- -Build rapport

School Supplies

This year National Relief Charities served 45 program partners on 16 reservations with school supplies! We take great pride in helping students get ready for school. NRC helped 13,560 students with the tools needed to make the 2014-2015 year successful!



If you are a school and would like to receive school supplies, you will have to:

- 1) Be current on reports
- 2) Reported on last years school supply shipment
- 3) Be a school
- Have your request in ON TIME, deadline is May 15th, 2015 for the 2015 School Supply year

TOMS



TOMS Shoes







It's that time of year again! Make way for NRC! We are visiting schools in our service area to deliver TOMS shoes to each child. Last year we handed out more than 40,000 pairs of shoes while visiting 120 different schools on 24 reservations. See you soon!





Fall 2014 Program Partner Honor Roll Way 1000



Each newsletter we like to dedicate a section to Program Partners who have turned in all their reports on time for the previous quarter. Here are those partners for the Summer quarter. Thank you! Your hard work is very much appreciated!

Reservation	<u>Name</u>	<u>Contact</u>	Services Utilized	<u>Program</u>
Flathead Nation	Mission Valley Food Pantry	Heide Riddle	Food Pantry	January 2011
			Healthy Living & Community	
Black Feet Nation	Community Health Reps	Roberta Wagner	Events	November 2011
				September
Black Feet Nation	Blackfeet LIHEAP	Lolita Last Star	Incentive	2011
			Healthy Living & Community	
Crow Agency	Indian Healthcare Services	Glenn Fung	Events	December 2013
Cheyenne River	CRST Homeless Shelter	Deanna Gomez	Residential	March 2013
Flathead Nation	DHRD Respite House	Sylvia Aims Back	Residential	May 2008
			School Supplies, Literacy, Easter,	
Fort Peck	Frazer Public School	Julie Flynn	Incentive	June 2008
	Minot Vocational Adjust-			
Turtle Mountain	ment	Bonnie Nadeau	Residential & Christmas	June 2011

Dynamic Duo: Will Burritt and Nate Evans





The National Relief Charities distribution center in Rapid City is home to the dynamic duo of Will and Nate. Both have been here for over ten years. Both seem to know everything in the warehouse, even before things happen. Both are experts with our inventory control complex computer system. Both seem to be here all of the time. Will Burritt is the warehouse manager with over 12 years of experience at NRC. Nate Evans is our inventory control specialist with over ten years' experience who ensures the inventory is ALWAYS 100% accurate.

Will is definitely a work-a-holic. If trucks need loaded at 2:00AM he is in here getting it done. Over long holiday weekends he is in the building checking the safety and security of everything. When snow needs plowed he is here before everyone in the early mornings clearing parking spaces. If one of his employees needs tools or training

he does everything to make sure they have what they need to do their jobs. Will is also an enrolled member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. He is a family man with a beautiful wife and five wonderful children.

Nate too is one that does whatever it takes to get the job done. We often say we have to force Nate to take time off. He is truly dedicated to his job. He is never late for work. He never leaves early. He takes great pride in ensuring the inventory at NRC is 100% accurate. We kept track of how much Nate walked in a day around the warehouse with a pedometer. We had him wear it for a week and looked at the results. Nate walked about 5 miles a day around the inside of our warehouse checking orders, cycle counting item and looking to make sure every item's count was right. That is one dedicated, dependable employee. Recently Nate had a son born so now he might want a little bit of time away from work.

We are fortunate to have so many Siouxper-stars at NRC. We have many employees who have worked here for over 10 years. Will and Nate are two fantastic employees making a positive difference every single day.

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<u>American Indian Education</u> Foundation

The American Indian Education Foundation (AIEF) has awarded its 2014-2015 Scholarship students. The welcome packages have been sent to our awarded scholarship recipients, and the academic year is just about underway. The AIEF awards scholarships each year to both undergraduate and graduate students who are working towards achieving their academic dreams. We are excited to be able to assist students in pursuing their goals of post-secondary education. It is inspiring to see so many Native students working toward various degrees such as nursing, education, law, and healthcare that they wish to use back in their home communities across various reservations both in the plains and southwest.





Service Coordinator Information

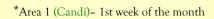
Service Coordinators are in charge of putting together orders, scheduling delivery trucks, and answering any questions

you may have about requests or new items in the warehouse. Once the Service Coordinator receives your request they will review it and determine which service you are utilizing and which items best fit your needs. They will then call you and go over each item and give you an approximate delivery date and answer any additional ques-

tions you may have.

Need help?

Your Service Coordinator and week of delivery will depend on what area you are located in:



*Area 2 (Tracy) - 2nd week of the month

*Area 3 (Candi) - 3rd week of the month

*Areas 4 &5 (Tracy)- 4th week of the month

If you have any questions about products, requests, or delivery please call or email your Service Coordinator. The toll free number is 866-556-2472. Tracy's e-mail is tsazue@nrc1.org. Candi's email is cacker@nrc1.org.



Area 2—Rosebud, Omaha, Ponca, Santee, Winnebago, Yankton

Area 4—Fort Belknap, Fort Berthold, Fort Peck, Rocky Boy, Spirit Lake

Area 5—Black Feet Nation, Flathead Nation, Fort Hall, Wind River



Area 1—Pine Ridge, Crow Agency, Northern Cheyenne

Area 3—Cheyenne River, Standing Rock, Crow Creek, Lower Brule, Lake Traverse, Flandreau