



*"Because every child  
deserves a visit from  
SANTA."*

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## *Our Mission*

*Santa's Sleigh, Inc. believes every child deserves a visit from Santa. We exist to provide Christmas gifts and other assistance to homeless children in Oklahoma.*

## *Oklahoma's Homeless Children*

*Santa's Sleigh has helped over 7,500 homeless children experience the magic of Christmas since the organization's inception in 2001. In most cases, the gifts we provide are the only gifts the children receive that year. Santa's Sleigh provides Christmas gifts and year-round assistance to children ranging in age from newborn to 18 years old.*

## **History of Santa's Sleigh**

Santa's Sleigh, Inc. started out of a desire to help children living in homeless shelters experience the magic of Christmas. Employees from the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency came up with the idea to create a 501(c)(3) organization to raise money to purchase Christmas gifts for homeless children.

The main source of revenue for the organization is its annual golf tournament. In 2001, the first tournament raised \$17,400 for the purchase of Christmas gifts for 866 children. July 2009 marked Santa's Sleigh's ninth tournament with proceeds exceeding \$29,000.

The organization broadened its mission five years ago to provide more than just Christmas gifts. With funds from corporate donations and grants, Santa's Sleigh has provided computers, clothing, educational items, and toiletries for the children.

Volunteers for Santa's Sleigh work year-round to raise enough money to fulfill the needs of children living in homeless shelters. To date the organization has raised more than \$203,000 and provided assistance to over 7,500 children living in homeless shelters across the state of Oklahoma.

# Our Impact

*“The holidays can be so difficult emotionally and financially for these hard-working young people and your gift helps them look forward to a bright and promising New Year. We are truly thankful for your generosity. Together, we are changing young lives.”*

**- Youth Services of Oklahoma County**

*“Thank you for your donation of the Christmas gifts. Due to your generosity some child will have gifts they might not have received. Please accept our heartfelt thanks and please know that your generosity touches many lives in our community.”*

**- Family Crisis & Counseling Center, Inc., in Bartlesville**

*“You opened your generous hearts and have thought about those who are less fortunate. The smiles on the children’s faces were priceless. Your expression of love and thoughtfulness brightened the spirits of these little ones and certainly lightened their burdens.”*

**- Social Services of Tulsa County**



*“Thank you for your extremely generous donation of gift bags for the YWCA. The holidays are hard for the families we serve and your donation helps brighten the day! We appreciate it! Thank you.”*

**- YWCA in Enid**

## Years of Giving

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>NUMBER OF CHILDREN</b>	<b>MONEY SPENT ON GIFTS</b>
2001	866	\$17,405
2002	739	\$19,142
2003	480	\$15,116
2004	478	\$18,040
2005	484	\$11,903
2006	768	\$26,135
2007	1,110	\$32,129
2008	1,277	\$30,245
2009	1,323	\$33,555



## Gifts for the Homeless Children



Santa's Sleigh works closely with the staff members at Oklahoma's homeless shelters to meet the needs of the children.

With their guidance, Santa's Sleigh buys gifts such as Fisher Price toys, stuffed animals, soccer balls, portable radios, and individual electronic games. The organization also purchases board games, dominos, and decks of playing cards to help the children with their social skills.

To assist with the children's education, Santa's Sleigh purchases coloring books and crayons, flash cards, activity books, school supplies and computers.

For their everyday needs, children receive personal toiletries, clothing and backpacks.

### *Why We Need Your Help!*

*Sadly, the number of Oklahoma children living in homeless shelters is on the rise. Please do not let these children be forgotten. With your support, we can continue to bring the magic of Christmas to homeless children. The children are counting on us. We hope we can count on you.*

*After all, every child deserves a visit from Santa!*

*To make a donation or for more information about Santa's Sleigh, please call (405) 419-8297.*



# Financial Information

	2009	2008	2007
<b>Income</b>			
Prior Year Carry Over Balance	9,027.61	6,744.89	9,070.29
Golf Tournament Income	38,461.62	41,083.00	37,726.00
Donations	6,000.00	3,100.00	2,670.00
Interest on Checking/Savings Account	2.87	78.29	
	<u>53,492.10</u>	<u>51,006.18</u>	<u>49,466.29</u>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Golf Tournament Expenses	10,455.44	11,072.32	10,029.30
Gifts & Assistance for Homeless Children	33,214.14	30,245.48	32,129.57
Operating Supplies & Expenses	1,231.12	660.77	562.53
	<u>44,900.70</u>	<u>41,978.57</u>	<u>42,721.40</u>
	<b>8,591.40</b>	<b>\$9,027.61</b>	<b>\$6,744.89</b>
<b>Ending Balance</b>			
<i>numbers are unaudited</i>			

## Meet Our Board of Directors



**Darcy Green, President** Darcy has been associated with Santa's Sleigh since 2006. Darcy has been housing development supervisor of Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency since June 2004. He is on the board for His Helping Hands International Ministry and a staff member for Perspectives on the World Christian Movement. Darcy has also served as a volunteer leader for the Boy Scouts of America, including a term as district chairman for the Wiley Post District.

**Holley Mangham, Vice President** Holley has been a member of Santa's Sleigh since 2002. She serves as communications director for Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency, a position held since 2003. Holley is an active member of the Public Relations Society of America, the International Association of Business Communicators and the Bricktown Rotary Club.

**Renee Price, Secretary** Renee has been a member of Santa's Sleigh, Inc. since 2007. In 2009, she was the Donation Committee Chair and she will continue this position in 2010. She serves as a financial accountant for Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency, a position held since 2007. Renee lives in Midwest City with her husband, Richard, and has two adult daughters and six grandchildren.

**Christine Looker, Treasurer** Christine has been associated with Santa's Sleigh, Inc. since January 2002. Christine has over thirty years of experience in finance and administration relating to 501 (c) (3) organizations. She is an active supporter and volunteers her time with United Way, Jesus House, Habitat for Humanity, ASPCA, and Pets for Friends.

**Dennis Shockley, Member** Dennis enjoys over a 30 year career in public service. He currently serves as executive director of Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency, a position he has held for 11 years. He holds a Ph.D. in history from Kansas State University, and in 1999 he completed the Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He serves on the Board of Directors of the National Council of State Housing Agencies. Dennis has been a member of Santa's Sleigh since 2001.