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**FORSYTH COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT BEGINS
AERIAL'S HOUSE TOY COLLECTION**

Sixteenth annual toy collection helps children in need during the holiday season

Forsyth County, Georgia – The Forsyth County Fire Department is asking for residents' help in making the holiday season brighter for children in need with the annual Aerial's House toy collection. The initiative gets its name from a piece of equipment which is used by the Fire Department known as an aerial ladder truck.

"This year is the 16th year of our Aerial's House Program, and it has become a staple of the firefighter outreach program during the holiday season," Forsyth County Fire Division Chief Jason Shivers said. "It has been a joy to watch the growth of community support for this program each year."

New, unwrapped toys for local children in need, between newborn and 18 years old, may be dropped off now through Dec. 15 at any Forsyth County fire station or the Fire Department Headquarters at 3520 Settingdown Road.

Starting in December, donations for Aerial's House may also be dropped off under the Christmas tree in the lobby of the Forsyth County Administration Building, located at 110 East Main Street in Cumming.

To receive information regarding the distribution of toys collected through Aerial's House, call The Place of Forsyth County at (770) 887-1098. For any other questions or to make a large donation, please call Firefighter Jeff Lyons at (678) 513-5899.

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