

# Press Release

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## GLOBE UNIVERSITY TO PRESENT CHECK TO ONALASKA'S SANTA'S LIST PROGRAM

Today at 3:30 pm representatives from Globe University will present a check to the Onalaska Police and Fire Chiefs for the Santa's List Program.

Christmas may be over for another year but the Onalaska Police and Fire Santa's List Program is still going strong. The program was started several years ago by Police Officers and Fire Fighters as a way to give back to the community. Toys were collected and distributed to families in need at Christmas time. Over the years the program has grown and in 2011 it expanded to 25 families and over 60 children complete with a Christmas luncheon and a visit from Santa.

According to the Onalaska Police and Fire Chiefs the Santa's List Program is about more than Christmas.

"We had a situation where there was a house fire," said Onalaska Fire Chief Don Dominick, "the family lost just about everything. The Santa's List Program was able to purchase some toys for the children, to give them back a little sense of normalcy. That's the best part of being in Emergency Services, being able to pay it forward."

"Santa's List is not a charity," said Onalaska Police Chief Jeffrey Trotnic, "but there are times when Police Officers and Fire Fighters come upon a situation where help is needed. We can't make everything right but we can show families in crisis that there are people who care. That's the spirit of Santa's List, extending a hand to neighbors in need. We are grateful to the students at Globe for helping us continue to do this."