To the 4-H Community:

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Subject: Costume Drive for Santa Rosa Wildfire Victims

Fellow SLO County Families:

My family has started a costume drive for those affected by the wildfires in Northern California. Santa Rosa is my wife’s hometown, and we know MANY people who have lost EVERYTHING. The entire community has been impacted by this situation, and we have been trying to find a way we can help. My son and wife thought about the children whose lives have been turned upside down by this catastrophe, and came up with a great idea. On top of everything they have lost, many of the children also lost their Halloween costumes and even the neighborhoods they trick-or-treated in. We know it is a small thing, but to many children, Halloween is their favorite holiday. We want to try to bring some normalcy and joy back into their worlds and help them have a Happy Halloween.

How can you help? **I know this is last minute, so any items that can be contributed are GREATLY appreciated.**

We are collecting New and Used costumes which are in good condition and laundered or other Halloween items which would help bring a little light back into these kids’ world. Please join us in supporting our fellow Californians during their time of need by donating costumes, sealed packages of candies, glow lights, etc. and dropping them off at one of the costume locations below. We will be collecting these donations this weekend and shipping them up to Santa Rosa for distribution early next week. There are several charitable and relief organizations in Santa Rosa, which will be assisting with the distribution, as well as setting up safe trick-or-treat spaces for the kids. Our primary charitable partner is the Santa Rosa Center for Spiritual Living, in partnership with the Central Coast Center for Spiritual Living in Templeton, 501c3 # 99-3048868.

For more information, you can view the Santa Rosa Costume Drive Facebook page here: [https://www.facebook.com/costumes4SR/](https://www.facebook.com/costumes4SR/)

**Drop Off Locations:**

**NORTH COUNTY**

- Atascadero Library
  6555 Capistrano
- Centennial Park Recreation Services
  600 Nickerson Drive
- Central Coast Center for Spiritual Living
  150 7th Street, Templeton (look for orange sign on the patio umbrella above box, inside white picket fence)
- Children's House Montessori School (Atascadero)
  3025 Monterey Road
- Paso Robles City Library
  1000 Spring Street (inside front doors before you get to return/checkout desk)
- Landsberg Packaging Plus - Paso Robles
  3650 La Cruz Way, Suite A

**SOUTH COUNTY**

- SLO County Library
  995 Palm Street
- KCBX Studios
  4100 Vachel Lane, SLO

Thank you all for your time and consideration!
With Gratitude,
Jason, Shannon, and Liam McGee – And the kids of Santa Rosa

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