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Nevada National Security Site Charitable Giving Campaigns Make Holidays Bright for Local Families

Las Vegas, Nevada – Santa’s elves are getting a little help this holiday season thanks to the employees at the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS). Employees in Southern Nevada are providing toys, clothes, and household items to thousands of children this holiday season. The efforts are part of NNSS employees’ annual giving campaigns.

Employees donated to a number of community organizations to help those in need, including:

- Adopting 176 “angels” from the Salvation Army’s Angel Tree program and Manch Elementary School, providing toys and bicycles to children.
- Employees donated 141 bicycles and 17 barrels overflowing with toys to Toys for Tots.
- Employees adopted 17 families at Kit Carson International Academy and through the Clark County Court system. Employees provided food, clothing, household items and toys for families in need.
- NNSS Fire and Rescue partnered with the Southern Nevada Burn Foundation to collect toys for more than 26,000 children here in Southern Nevada.
- Employees provided 140 meals to the Las Vegas Rescue Mission.

In addition to the gifts, employees have pledged over \$249,000 to the United Way of Southern Nevada and the Combined Federal Campaign charitable giving campaigns. These donations benefit a variety of community organizations that serve those in need. Those efforts exceed last year’s pledges by more than \$10,000.

“It was heartwarming to see trucks overloaded with toys, bikes and clothing that will help needy families, and to see how generously employees are supporting local charitable organizations. The holidays are about giving – and NNSS employees have shown how much they care about our community,” said Jim Holt, president of National Security Technologies (NSTec), the management and operating contractor for the NNSS. NSTec partners with federal employees from the Department of Energy and National Nuclear Security Administration; employees from Centerra-Nevada, the NNSS security contractor; and Navarro, the NNSS environmental contractor.

The Nevada National Security Site and its related facilities help ensure the security of the United States and its allies by: supporting the stewardship of the nation’s nuclear deterrent; providing nuclear and radiological emergency response capabilities and training; contributing to key nonproliferation and arms control initiatives; executing national-level experiments in support of the National Laboratories; working with national security customers and other federal agencies on important national security activities; and providing long-term environmental stewardship of the NNSS’s Cold War legacy.

The NNSS falls under the jurisdiction of the National Nuclear Security Administration, a semi-autonomous agency within the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) The Site’s operations are government-controlled and contractor-operated. They are overseen by DOE’s Nevada Field Office, headquartered in North Las Vegas.

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