

Hi Everyone:

This year BC Athletics is host to the Athletics Canada Semi-Annual General Meeting - November 29, 30 & December 1, 2018. Associated for several years with the Athletics Canada SAGM has been Christmas Toy/Gift donations to a Charity in the host City. This year will present another opportunity to make a Christmas Toy / Gift Donation to the Lower Mainland Christmas Bureau.

In addition to inviting the AC SAGM delegates to donate a Christmas Toy/Gift, BC Athletics invites the BC Athletics Membership and Partners to share in this Toy/Gift Giving event.

Toy/Gift Donations (Unwrapped) that are appropriate for the age groups listed below are greatly appreciated by the Lower Mainland Christmas Bureau. These are examples of items so please donate what you think is appropriate.

• Babies, Toddlers & Preschoolers

Outdoor toys (tricycle, kick scooter, balance bike), building blocks (mega-blocks, wooden blocks), play-doh, musical toys (xylophone, maracas, drums), educational toys (Shape sorting cube, abacus, Octotunes), crayons, paints & easels, age appropriate electronics, toy cars and train sets, animal figures.

• Elementary School Kids

Building toys (Lego, Duplo), Outdoor toys (skateboard, kick scooter, bike, soccer ball, basketball, sled), games & Brain twisters (Pokemon Cards, Perplexus, Monopoly, Cranium Family Edition), Barbie, art sets (pencil crayons, pastels), backpacks, Nerf, and remote control cars.

• Tweens & Teens

Electronics, Fujifilm Instax or Polaroid Camera and film, bluetooth speakers, drones, tablets, books, backpacks, tea & coffee travel mug, watch, headphones, musical instruments, make-up, bath bombs, curling wands and hair straighteners, games (Catan, Cards Against Humanity, Scrabble), video game consoles. Tickets to concerts & sports events and gift cards are great so that tweens and teens can pick out something for themselves that they will love and need (coffee, mall or store).

Christmas Toys/Gifts can be dropped off up until the end of day Friday, December 14, 2018, at the BC Athletics Office, 3713 Kensington Avenue, Suite 2001-B.

BC Athletics will collect the Toys / Gifts and deliver them to the Lower Mainland Christmas Bureau on Monday, December 17, 2018. They will be distributed (over 22,000 in 2017) to families and children in the Lower Mainland (see <u>local bureaus</u> throughout the Lower Mainland).

Thank you very much for considering this request.

BC Athletics looks forward to welcoming all the AC SAGM delegates from across Canada to the 2018 Athletics Canada Semi-Annual General Meeting at the <u>Granville Island Hotel</u> located on <u>Granville Island</u> in downtown Vancouver.

All the best.

Sincerely,

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