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## Vienna Police Spread Holiday Cheer with Santa's Ride

For one day only, Santa and his reindeer are trading in their sleigh for motorcycles and joining Vienna police officers and other Northern Virginia agencies on a very special detail – to bring holiday cheer to sick children in local hospitals. It's all part of the annual Santa's Ride, a collective drive led by Santa Claus and regional law enforcement agencies to deliver donated gifts to young patients in local hospitals and to children in need in the community.

Vienna residents who wish to support Santa's Ride can drop off new, unwrapped toys, games, books, and gifts at the Vienna Police Department, 215 Center St. S; the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry St., SE; or Vienna Town Hall, 127 Center St. S, during normal business hours (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.). **All items must be dropped off by 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024.**

Police officers on motorcycles from multiple jurisdictions will escort Santa to local schools and government buildings to pick up the donated items and deliver them to hospitals and to community children in need on Tuesday, Dec. 10. Santa's Ride 2024 is supported by the Fairfax County Police Department, Fairfax County Sheriff's Office, City of Fairfax Police Department, Falls Church Sheriff's Office, Herndon Police Department, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, Vienna Police Department and Virginia State Police.

For more information about the Vienna Police Department's effort, contact dispatcher Ruth Rohr at [Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov](mailto:Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov) or 703-255-6324.

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