

**CHILD LIFE DEPARTMENT**



Jacie's Kids  
c/o Beatrice Haas  
PO Box 541  
Deer Park, NY 11729  
December 27, 2021

Dear Beatrice and members of Jacie's Kids,

The Child Life Program of Good Samaritan Hospital would like to join with the Department of Pediatrics and the children and their families in thanking you and the donors to Jacie's Kids for the very generous and thoughtful donation of toys and gift cards to the children on Pediatrics. The toys were distributed on Christmas morning when Santa visited the children at bedside.

When children are in the hospital, they may become anxious about unfamiliar surroundings or unexpected events. The children in the hospital look forward to the ways in which we can help them feel comfortable and in safe hands. By providing soothing activities, patients are able to be distracted from the hospital experience. Any toys not used Christmas morning will be used by our Child Life Specialists for patient birthdays, as rewards for being brave during difficult procedures and in our playroom. Child life Specialists use play experiences to help children cope with pain and illness during procedures and tests.

Community support for hospitalized children and families is often the best medicine of all! Your continued support of our Child Life Program and generous donation will help to distract and comfort children during their hospital stay. We wish you a healthy and happy holiday! Thank you again for remembering the children of Good Sam.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kate Fenton".

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