USOHR “Operation Holiday Spirit” Program
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As the holiday season quickly approaches, we are reminded of the ongoing sacrifices our military members make to ensure our safety and freedom here at home. In the effort to fight the war on terrorism, many military families face the difficulty of extended separations and financial concerns -- felt the hardest during the holidays.

Families are referred to the USO by the service member’s command, Military Family Support Centers or outside agencies and are often low ranking, single parents, or have children with special needs. These families are then “adopted” by individuals and organizations that provide them with a holiday meal and some gifts for the children so they may enjoy a little holiday cheer.

“This program has been a wonderful success in the past because of the generous people in Hampton Roads that share the holiday spirit by giving to those in need,” said USOHR Outreach Director, Eva Granville. “What started out by helping five needy military families seventeen years ago has grown to over 27 local organizations and individuals providing assistance to over 117 families facing financial difficulties in 2006.”

The USO of Hampton Roads is still in need of individuals, organizations and businesses to help bring some Christmas cheer to these families in need.

If you are interested in adopting a military family, would like more information, or want to make a donation please contact Eva Granville at 757-289-5917/5922 or email: USOHR@usohr.org.

Interested Organizations/Individuals: Click here for faxable donor form.

Military Organizations/Commands: Click here for faxable adoptee form if you have a needy family in your organization you would like to nominate for assistance.