

Season of Sharing 2017 website FAQs

By submitting an application you agree to the following: All selected candidates will undergo a required background check. Each year, we can only grant a limited number of applications. Not all who apply are guaranteed selection. ALL fields on the application must be completed for application consideration.

Thank you for your interest in Season of Sharing!

What is Season of Sharing?

The Season of Sharing is a community effort to support individuals and families in need in the Topeka community during the holidays. Our focus is to help provide services or daily needs not being met in individuals' day-to-day lives. We seek to help with the requests that you typically cannot make of other holiday giving organizations.

What is the timeframe for submissions?

Applications will be accepted November 13 through December 1, 2017.

How do I submit my information or nominate someone in need?

Go to www.ourcommunitycares.org and click on the 'Apply' tab. Fill out the form to nominate yourself or someone else. Make sure to include your contact information.

Paper applications are available beginning November 13 at the Topeka Shawnee County Public Library. Please mail completed applications to:

Season of Sharing
PO BOX 4195
Topeka, KS 66604

Computer access is available at the Topeka Shawnee County Public Library if you prefer to submit an application electronically. Please visit www.ourcommunitycares.org to apply.

Please note: Hand-delivered applications will not be accepted.

Applications received after December 1, 2017 will not be accepted.

Season of Sharing reserves the right to accept or deny any application that is submitted.

How will I know if I am selected?

We will notify you regardless of whether or not you have been selected by December 15, 2017. You will be notified by phone, email address or mailing address.

How do I receive my gift if I am selected?

We are partnering with various organizations in our community to best accommodate recipients. We will work with you to find a time and place that is convenient for you.

How do I nominate someone who is in need?

Go to www.ourcommunitycares.org and click on the 'Apply' tab. Fill out the form to nominate yourself or someone else. Please be sure to include your contact information as well as contact information for the person you are nominating.

Is there a dollar limit?

All submissions will be taken into consideration. We look at each request on an individual basis. Our focus is to help provide services or daily needs not being met in individuals' day-to-day lives. We seek to help with the requests that you typically cannot make of other holiday giving organizations.

Are there any requests that will not be granted?

We are unable to grant requests for purchase or repair of vehicles or payment of bills.

Will I be seen in local news media, social media or on any websites?

That is up to you! The application form requests permission to take photo and/or video of persons receiving gifts and to use the footage in future promotions. You will not be disqualified from possibly being selected if you do not give permission for photo/video to be taken.

Do you check my background?

By submitting your application you agree to undergo a required background check.

For questions regarding the “Season of Sharing” who should I contact?

No phone calls will be accepted. Please contact seasonofsharing@advisorsexcel.com