

# For Immediate Release October 28, 2010

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# **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### Holiday Care Packages for Local Deployed Navy Reserve Troops

**Who:** Operation Spokane Heroes is collecting items for Holiday Care Packages to be sent to deployed Navy troops from our local Naval Reserve Center.

What: Examples of items needed are: coffee, instant drink mixes, trail mix, gum, candy, Cup of Soup, snack items, hand sanitizers and lotions, tooth paste/brushes, razors, shampoos/conditioners, chap stick, DVD's, books, games, socks, batteries, and Holiday décor (mini trees, ornaments, battery operated lights). For a complete list, please see attached sheet.

When: Deadline for donations is November 12, 2010

**Where:** Donations will be accepted at the Downtown Holiday Inn Express on the Rock or at the Holiday Inn Express in the Valley on E. Mission.

**Why:** Operation Spokane Heroes has collected care packages before, but never for the Navy. This is our opportunity to give back to these deployed sailors who are away from their families over the holidays protecting our freedoms.

Operation Spokane Heroes (OSH) focuses on providing support for our local military personnel and their families. OSH is designed to show community support for our military and their families in a variety of ways, which include developing morale boosting activities and encouraging businesses to offer discounted goods and services. OSH is a non-profit organization, which exists solely from community donations.

## MEDIA COVERAGE IS ENCOURAGED.

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#### LIST OF REQUESTED ITEMS FOR NAVY HOLIDAY CARE PACKAGES:

Coffee – Any kind, but Starbucks Instant Via a big hit with deployed troops

**Coffee Filters** 

**Coffee Creamer** 

Single Instant Drink Mixes - Crystal Light, Hot Chocolate, Tang, Apple Cider, etc.

**Sunflower Seeds** 

**Nuts** 

**Trail Mix** 

**Granola Bars/Protein Bars** 

**Kashi Products** 

**V8** 

Gum

Candy

**Cup of Soup** 

Snack Foods - Cookies, Fruit Snacks, Chips, etc.

**Baby Wipes** 

**Hand Sanitizer/Lotion** 

**Body Wash/Soap** 

**Shower Sponges** 

Shampoo/Conditioner

**Deodorant** 

Razors – Mach 3 or Disposables

Shaving Cream - No Cans

**Chap Stick** 

Kleenex

**Cough Drops** 

Baby Powder/Foot Powder

**Tooth Paste/Tooth Brush** 

Eye Drops/Nose Spray

DVD's/CD's/Music

Books/Magazines/Home Town Newspapers (Spokesman Review, JOB or Inlander)

Writing Paper/Envelopes/Pens

Games/Checkers/Crossword Puzzles/Dominoes/Poker Chips/Dice/Frisbees

Nerf Footballs/Playing Cards

**Batteries** 

**Socks/Hand & Feet Warmers** 

Holiday Décor – Mini Trees, Ornaments, Battery Operated Lights, etc.