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AHS accepting toys as payment for parking tickets

EDMONTON - Alberta Health Services (AHS) is once again launching its Toys for Tickets campaign, which gives people who've recently received an AHS parking ticket an opportunity to donate a new, unwrapped toy rather than paying their fine.

"Last vear's inaugural campaign was so successful and well received that we decided to launch it again this holiday season," says Mike Linn, Executive Director, Capital Management, Edmonton Zone, AHS. More than 150 toys were collected and distributed last year in Edmonton.

Parking Services will be accepting toy donations as an alternative to paying for tickets issued between Nov. 1 and Nov. 30. Toys should be in the original packaging, and for ages newborn to 17 years. Value of each toy must be at least \$25. The toys will be donated to Stollery Children's Hospital Foundation and given to children staying at the hospital. Toys will be accepted until Dec. 13 at any AHS parking office.

Recommended donations include books, art supplies, science kits, electronics, headphones, Lego sets, portable DVD players, rattles, baby toys, journals, activity books, crayons, colouring books, and gift cards for grocery stores and restaurants (for families).

Visit the AHS website for AHS parking office hours and locations in Edmonton, as well as for information on the Toys for Tickets campaign.

Alberta Health Services is the provincial health authority responsible for planning and delivering health supports and services for more than four million adults and children living in Alberta. Its mission is to provide a patient-focused, quality health system that is accessible and sustainable for all Albertans.

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