

You can help make the holiday season brighter for students in need

Become a Holiday Bear Sponsor



Join the Connecticut Education Foundation's annual holiday gift-giving program and bring joy to students in need across the state.

Currently, there are over 700 students in need of sponsors. Individuals, entire offices, or businesses can sponsor one or more children. Becoming a sponsor is as easy as 1, 2, 3.

- 1.** Contact CEF to request to sponsor a child or make a monetary donation visit cea.org/holiday-bear-project/holiday-bear-sponsorship or email joslynd@cea.org.
- 2.** Purchase items from the list CEF provides sponsors detailing the student's needs, interests, hobbies, sizes, and favorite things, all compiled by their teacher.
- 3.** Wrap gifts, put them in the Holiday Bear Duffle Bag CEF provides to all sponsors, and deliver the bags to CEA at 21 Oak Street, Suite 500, Hartford. We ask all sponsors to do their best to fill the bag, which holds approximately 10-15 gifts.



CEF will deliver the gifts to the schools for distribution to students.

If you don't have time to shop, please consider making a donation to the Holiday Bear Project. The money will go toward purchasing gifts for students not paired with a sponsor.

For more information or to become a sponsor, email joslynd@cea.org.

Scan here to sponsor a child



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