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The Plainview Community Gives Back

Water district collects mountain of toys, coats

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Once again, the Plainview-Old Bethpage community showed its generosity by contributing to the toy and coat drives at the Plainview Water District. As it has done in years past, the Plainview Water District partnered with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program as well as the Lion's Club's annual coat drive to collect items to be donated to support each of the respective charities. This year, more than 100 toys and 50 coats were collected by the water district.

"It really warms your heart to see this level of participation and the generosity

of those who live within this great community," said Plainview Water District Chairman Marc Laykind. "The Plainview-Old Bethpage residents always do their part to help out."

The U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Foundation is a nonprofit organization that aims to provide all children across the United States with happiness and joy throughout the holiday season. Through the gift of a new toy, disadvantaged children will not be overlooked during the holidays.

"It is a privilege to once again partner with the Toys for Tots Foundation and support their cause to bring a smile to

every child's face this holiday season," said Commissioner Amanda Field.

Similarly, the Lion's Club's annual coat drive supports the Interfaith Nutrition Network (The INN)—an organization that addresses the issues of hunger and homelessness on Long Island. The INN works to provide food, shelter, long-term housing and supportive services and will use the coat donations to help ensure men, women and children of all ages keep warm during the colder months.

"Bolstering this year's giving spirit, we were proud to support the efforts of the Lion's Club during their annual coat drive,"



From left: Plainview Water District Commissioners Marc Laykind, Amanda Field and Andrew Bader

added Commissioner Bader. "Thanks to the loving spirit of this community, more than 50

people will receive a new coat this winter. That should make us all proud."