

DOCCS Staff at Facilities State-Wide Give Back to Their Communities

Staff at facilities across the state have recently donated their time, money, and goods to support their local communities both in the spirit of the holidays and in the spirit of paying it forward year-round.

Gowanda Correctional Facility hosted several fundraisers, including raffles, cookie decorating, and ham bowling to benefit the local Lions Club. In all, \$2,100 was presented to the Lions Club, with additional contributions from NYSCOPBA, Sergeants, and PEF. The facility also did an Angel Tree Project that yielded five carloads of toys to be delivered for local children to receive on Christmas Day.



Staff at Sullivan Correctional Facility held fundraisers to benefit their local community as well. Of the \$1,200 raised, \$700 was donated to the Town of Fallsburg PBA for their annual toy drive, with the remaining \$500 used to purchase 20 winter coats for donation to Sullivan County BOCES for children in need.



Altona Correctional Facility staff held a blanket drive in lieu of a staff gift exchange this year, ultimately collecting 35 blankets to be distributed to the Clinton County Nursing Home in Plattsburgh.



Staff at Attica Correctional Facility adopted a local family—a single father and his three children—and purchased items on their wish list to ensure they did not go without gifts this holiday season.

