



December  
2020

# Christmas

## Seasonal Activity

Each year, York Cares coordinates a variety of Christmas activities from collections to Christmas parties in Care Homes. This year, York Cares will still be offering a variety of seasonal activities, however, we will be taking the precautions necessary to make sure we can deliver these safely and in accordance with social distancing measures.

## Christmas Collections:

We have asked a range of homeless prevention and resettlement charities and organisations who work with isolated and vulnerable people in York to send us their 'wish lists' for Christmas gifts, festive foods and practical items such as toiletries. We are looking for teams of various sizes, from small groups to whole companies, to collect items to meet these wishes and donate them before Christmas. Examples of wish list items include toys, bedding, board games, toiletries, Christmas food items and hats, scarves, gloves and socks.

## Christmas Parties:

York Cares Christmas parties offer a fantastic opportunity for employee-volunteers to deliver a virtual party and bring some festive cheer to older people in the city. We are asking teams of employee-volunteers to deliver an online quiz, carol concert or activity for an Independent Living Community or Care Home during Christmas Party Week, which will take place during the week commencing 7 December.



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## 12 days of Christmas:

This year we are working with the Independent Living Communities in York to deliver 12 days of Christmas window displays. We are looking for employee-volunteers who have crafting skills to share 'how to' videos with residents in these communities to support them with putting their window display together. We are also looking for an employee-volunteer who can develop a map of the location of the window displays so the local community can enjoy the efforts of the residents in the Independent Living Communities.

## Santa's Socks

In addition to our virtual Christmas Parties, this year we are looking for employee-volunteers to put together a small stocking of gifts for an older person living in an Independent Living Community or Care Home. We would also like employee-volunteers to include a personalised card or letter with the opportunity for older people to respond.

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