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EMTA TO HOLD FIFTH ANNUAL 'STUFF THE BUS' TOY DRIVE

November 3, 2022- ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA- The Erie Metropolitan Transit Authority is hosting its fifth annual "Stuff the Bus" fundraising event to benefit Toys for Tots of Erie County, Pennsylvania on Friday, December 2nd, 2022 from 11AM until 7PM at the Millcreek Mall Plaza in the parking lot near Primanti Brothers.

"We are excited at the opportunity to spread holiday cheer to families in need in our area this season," says Sarah Morrison, Director of Marketing and Public Relations at the EMTA. "We are proud to once again partner with Toys For Tots as a way to give back to the community and hope to ensure every child can celebrate the holidays this year."

The EMTA encourages supporters to donate new, unwrapped, nonviolent toys. All donations will directly benefit Toys for Tots of Erie County. Also assisting in this effort is iHeart Media, supplying on-air talent and music for the duration of this event.

EMTA will place a Bayliner Trolley at Millcreek Mall Plaza to collect donations for the "Stuff the Bus" event. Donations can also be dropped off to the EMTA administration office at 127 East 14th Street, from 8AM to 4:30PM Monday through Friday, now until December 2nd.

The Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots of Erie County distributed 11,126 toys and supported 3,657 children in the 2021 holiday season. Toys for Tots 2022 distribution location is at the Millcreek Mall Plaza- 905 Millcreek Mall Erie, PA 16509 (previous Office Max location) with distribution beginning December 9th, 2022.

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The EMTA provides over 3 million rides a year in Erie County. In operation since 1966, EMTA currently operates 28 fixed routes through Erie city and county. Reliable service is offered 6 days a week to as many as possible in Erie County, averaging more than 20 hours and over 5,500 miles each day.

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