

## **Givingmas News**

## **Changing Lives...One Family at a Time**

## **Trading Up with Tradeline**

Givingmas and Tradeline Motorcars teamed up to change another life. On July 23<sup>rd</sup> (one year and one day after the Pena's received their vehicle), we presented William with his new 2005 Toyota 4Runner. Two months into our relationship with William, his truck was stolen. At that point, William still needed to prove himself in our program for Givingmas to contribute towards such a large expense. Remember, your donations are directed towards offering a hand-up... not a hand-out.



Over several months, William showed his commitment to taking his life in a new direction, including:

- 1. Paid his rent on time every month
- 2. Paid 100% of his secured CC balance on-time
- 3. Raised his credit score from 420 to 688
- 4. Stayed employed full-time & made all his child support payments



Those are just a few of the things William has completed showing is dedication to making the right decisions to improve his and his family's life.

This life-changing event doesn't happen without your support! THANK YOU to Bob Shoemaker & the Tradeline Motorcars team for making this possible! Keeping with Givingmas' promise of making your donations grow, here is a breakdown of the purchase:

Listed price of 4Runner: \$9,988
 Tradeline donation: \$2,988
 Givingmas donors: \$7,000





This is just a steppingstone for William and Givingmas has already presented him with the next challenge. When William saves \$3,000, Givingmas will match that \$3,000 towards the purchase of a newer vehicle. With \$6,000 and the trade-in of the Toyota, he will have reliable transportation for years. We are proud of William's accomplishments so far and look forward to seeing his continued growth.

#### Love of the Lake

REMINDER! we have our monthly lake gathering on Aug. 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am at the intersection of Lawther and Emerald Isle. It's only 1 hour of your time & we have made a tremendous improvement in our section. Come do your part and protect our local natural resources! *NOTE* – Starting in September, we will go back to our original start time of 9:30am.

### **Accepting New Family Nominations!**

We are looking to add a new family in August and another in mid-October! Our President, Mike Keating, has been introducing Givingmas and our mission to several organizations including Exodus House, Restored Hope, and others and is scheduled to meet several more in the coming weeks including Munger Place, Forerunner Mentoring, and Good Samaritans of Garland.

Do you know a family that is doing their best to beat life's struggles but needs a "hand-up" to get them out of the spiral? Remember, you can nominate a family and remain anonymous, or you can encourage families to self-nominate. Go to <a href="www.givingmas.org">www.givingmas.org</a> and click on the Nominate a Family tab, answer a few questions and you never know... they might become the next Givingmas sponsored Family!

## Givingmas is Recognized by North Texas Giving Day!

#### Save the Date 9.22.22

Double your donation!

We are excited to announce that Givingmas application to NTX Giving Day has been accepted. A special thank you to board member and secretary John Craft for completing the application. More details to follow.



## Sam's Club Memberships!

With soaring inflation and record-high gas what could be a better present than a family membership to Sam's Club? This month, Sam's ran a membership promotion allowing new members to join for only \$8! Givingmas couldn't pass up the chance to enable our families to capitalize on not only groceries but, if you didn't know, gasoline is generally 10 to

15 cents cheaper per gallon.
As one family member shared, "This will save us 100's" New memberships for the Moore's, Thomas', and Pena's (not pictured) offered an easy hand up.

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## Still time to support The Loon's Golf Tournament benefitting Givingmas

We once again want to thank The Loon for dedicating their October 6<sup>th</sup> golf tournament to Givingmas. There are still sponsorship opportunities and it's not too early to register your team for a great day of golf, food & fun!

We also want to thank Tradeline Motorcars for their Platinum sponsorship, The Barley House, and Enchiladas for catering the Lunch and Breakfast respectfully. Don Henning for their Hole-in-one Sponsorship & Milo's for supporting the longest drive competition.

There are still opportunities for your business or organization to get involved, so go to <a href="https://www.givingmas.org/charitygolftournament">https://www.givingmas.org/charitygolftournament</a> to pick your package. Hole sponsorships are only \$200 and teams are starting to fill-up. This year's tournament is more than twice as big as last year's event and should be a wonderful day!

