

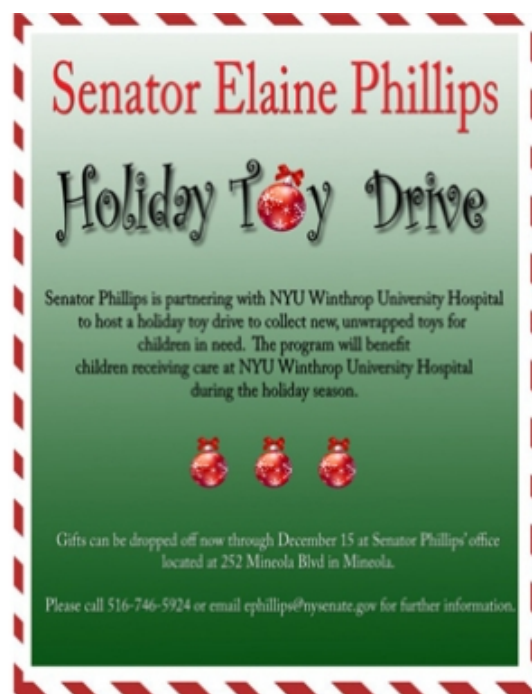


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Senator Elaine Phillips And NYU Winthrop Hospital To Host Holiday Toy Drive For Young Patients In Need

ELAINE PHILLIPS December 1, 2017



Senator Elaine Phillips is partnering with NYU Winthrop Hospital on a Holiday Toy Drive that will collect new, unwrapped toys for children in need.

“With the holiday season here, I am pleased to announce that I am partnering with NYU Winthrop Hospital to host a Holiday Toy Drive for children in need,” Senator Elaine Phillips said. “Long Islanders have a long-standing tradition of helping those less fortunate, and I encourage anyone who is able to please donate to our drive to share the holiday spirit with

local children in need.”

“Words can’t begin to express the appreciation we feel towards the generosity of both Senator Phillips and members of the community who participate in an initiative that that will undoubtedly put smiles on our patients’ faces the whole year through,” said Nicole Almeida, MS, CCLS, Director of the Child Life Program at NYU Winthrop Hospital.

Donations from the toy drive will benefit the Child Life Program at NYU Winthrop, which is dedicated to helping children understand and cope with the hospital experience. Certified Child Life Specialists utilize therapeutic play, arts and craft, and other diversions to ensure that the hospital experience is as stress-free as possible for children and their families. A vital program across the full spectrum of inpatient, outpatient and emergency services at NYU Winthrop, Child Life is supported in its entirety by philanthropic contributions.

Donations of new, unwrapped toys are currently being accepted now through December 15 at Senator Phillips’ Mineola office located at 252 Mineola Boulevard in Mineola. For questions, please call 516-746-5924 or email ephillips@nysenate.gov.