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SRCI minimum facility gives back to local communities

Adults in custody at Snake River Correctional Institution (SRCI) recently donated over \$600 to two local charities: the Western Idaho Community Action Program (WICAP) and Love, Inc. These contributions are part of a statewide effort to encourage and assist inmates in giving back to their communities.

The \$425 donation to WICAP sponsored children attending the Pre-Head Start and Head Start Programs in Payette, Idaho in preparation for the holiday season. SRCI also supports the Secret Santa Program by donating

funds to purchase gifts for WICAP families. Kari Purdy of WICAP thanked SRCI, stating, "It is really amazing to see the looks of the parents' faces when they pick up the wrapped gifts. A lot of them just don't have the opportunities or resources at Christmas-time. Often, it is tears of joy when they receive these gifts."

The second donation to Love, Inc. of over \$200 was collected to purchase school supplies for local community children. Dave Armstrong of Love, Inc. expressed the group's appreciation for the donation, "Thank you. That buys a lot of school supplies. There is just an overwhelming need, around 600 children in fact, who need assistance with school supplies this year. This is a huge contribution." Jane Padgett of the Department of Human Services added, "Thanks again for all your help and support."

SRCI is a multi-custody prison in Ontario that houses approximately 3,000 male inmates. SRCI has multiple special housing units including disciplinary segregation, intensive management, infirmary (with hospice) with 24-hour nursing care, and an administrative segregation unit. SRCI participates in prison industries with Oregon Corrections Enterprises including a contact center, laundry, and sign shop. SRCI specializes in incentive housing, specialized housing, inmates with mental health/medical vulnerabilities, education and trades programs, cognitive and parenting programs, and institution work programs. SRCI opened in 1991 and is the largest correctional institution in the state.



SRCI Minimum adults in custody Daniel Cruz, Jesse Foreman, Phellipe Jackson, Jason Nealeigh, Robert Reed, Roy Flennory, and Devasate Phelps, presenting donations to WICAP and Love, Inc.

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