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## Santa Came Early to St. Clair Shores

**St. Clair Shores, Michigan,** Just three days before Christmas nearly 300 people were able to celebrate the holiday with the help of the GTJ Foundation. These families, many without the means to celebrate on their own, enjoyed a Christmas dinner at the Lakeland Banquet Center, a visit with Santa and a brand new toy for each child. After dinner, the families were transported with the help of Roy O'Brien Ford to the GTJ Foundation's Closet at Pare Elementary School where they shopped at no cost for repurposed clothing and toys for Christmas presents.

"Many families are still struggling from the impact of the Great Recession," said Brandon T. Johnson, President of the GTJ Foundation. "This is the third year of our Christmas at the Closet event, and we are blessed to be able to help families enjoy Christmas in our home town." Johnson also expressed his thanks to the Lakeland Banquet Center, Roy O'Brien Ford, South Lake Schools, Vince Marino and all volunteers for their continued support with the event. "The continuing effort of so many to provide help to our struggling families at Christmas is a tribute to our strong community," Johnson added.

The shareholders of GTJ Consulting, LLC ("GTJ"), a Michigan based property management firm headquartered in Roseville, formed the GTJ Foundation in 2008. The new toys given away at this year's event were donated by guests of GTJ's Annual Christmas Party. Please visit [www.gtjfoundation.org](http://www.gtjfoundation.org) for more information about the GTJ Foundation.

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