**SHARING TREE IS A HUGE SUCCESS**

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Many years ago, Rotarian Tim Davis undertook the move of the Giving Tree/Sharing Tree to Lake Forest Park. Since that time the **Rotary Club of Lake Forest Park** has faithfully followed through providing local individuals and families in need with support to make their Holidays a bit brighter.

After two years of changes from the pandemic where only gift cards to be donated, our Club began accepting gifts as well. The community response was amazing as was the support from our Club members who set up and attend the Sharing Tree.

With cooperation from the Lake Forest Park Mall management company, MeloneGeier Partners, the Sharing Tree was once again set up on the lower level of the Mall near Santa’s photo booth and attended daily from Thanksgiving weekend until Christmas by Club members and by **Shorecrest High School’s Interact Club.**

Our Rotary Club of Lake Forest Park has traditionally partnered with **Center for Human Services** (received $1,745 in gift cards and an estimated $12,260 in gifts), **North Helpline** (received $1,260 in gift cards) and the **YMCA** ( teens received almost $2,000 in gift cards).

*Wow! That’s over $17,000.*

Our deepest gratitude to our neighbors in **LAKE FOREST PARK**, **SHORELINE**, **KENMORE**, **BOTHELL** and **LAKE CITY**. Your generosity impacted hundreds of individuals.