



## **Operation Kindness Offers Gift-Wrapping at Barnes & Noble Beginning Nov. 27**

Guests Can Bring Gifts to be Wrapped in Exchange for Donations

**WHO:** Operation Kindness – the leading no-kill animal shelter in North Texas.

**WHAT:** Operation Kindness is hosting its annual Barnes & Noble Gift-Wrapping Event beginning on Nov. 27 through Dec. 24. Barnes & Noble Gift-Wrapping is one of the shelter’s yearly holiday fundraising events, enabling the shelter to continue helping animals in need of life-saving care, companionship, and most of all, a loving home.

**DETAILS:** Working together to save the lives of thousands of dogs and cats, guests are encouraged to bring gifts from anywhere to be wrapped by Esther Mooring and her team of volunteers in exchange for a small donation that supports Operation Kindness’ mission to care for homeless animals in a no-kill environment until each is adopted into a responsible home. Gifts do not need to be purchased from Barnes & Noble to be wrapped – guests may bring gifts from anywhere for gift-wrapping.

**WHERE:** With the COVID-19 pandemic in mind, a volunteer on behalf of Operation Kindness, Esther Mooring, is hosting the gift-wrapping opportunity with the support of Barnes & Noble. COVID-19 precautions are being taken to ensure the health and safety of all guests, volunteers and employees. It will take place at Barnes & Noble in Dallas at their Park and Preston location: 2201 Preston Rd Suite E Plano, TX 75093

COVID-19 Safety Procedures:

- Face masks required
- Plexiglass partitions installed at stations
- Temperature checks of volunteers before the start of each shift
- Stations will be socially distanced to allow for at least 6 feet between customers and volunteers
- Sanitization of gift-wrapping tools after each customer
- Frequent hand sanitization required
- Volunteers who have COVID-19 symptoms or who have come into close contact with a person who has tested positive will not be allowed to volunteer.

**WHEN:** The Barnes & Noble Gift-Wrapping Event will take place beginning Nov. 27 and end on Dec. 24. Gift wrapping hours are between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., except Sundays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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### **About Operation Kindness**

Founded in 1976, Operation Kindness is the leading no-kill animal shelter in North Texas. Its mission is to care for homeless cats and dogs in a no-kill environment until each is adopted into a responsible home. As an advocate for humane values and behaviors, Operation Kindness has been able to save more than 105,000 animals since its inception. The shelter assists more than 5,000 cats and dogs each year, caring for an average of 400 animals daily. To learn more about Operation Kindness, please visit their website at <https://www.operationkindness.org/>.

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