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This year, the USO is celebrating its 75th Anniversary, and Firelands Electric Co-op is proud to join forces with local radio stations WLKR-FM and K96-FM to support the USO of Northern Ohio Step Up for Soldiers annual drive. Beginning on Veteran's Day, Nov. 11, and running through Dec. 12, the cooperative will serve as a donation location for the USO.

USO centers around the world work to make the holiday season bright for service members and their families. Whether it's an American soldier stationed abroad or returning home from deployment, the USO provides non-perishable items and supplies to the soldiers and their families.

Donation Items

The USO will be assembling care packages for military families which contain items such as toys, games, stocking stuffers, toiletry items, healthy snacks, gloves, hats, scarves, and household items. Non-perishable household items may include: canned goods, paper products, health and wellness items, laundry detergent, school supplies, and backpacks.

Baby Sea Bags

These comfort bags are provided to military families who have recently added a new member. Volunteers sew the bags, make blankets, and provide baby items like diapers, bottles, fluffy toys, and other items for the new bundle of joy.

Donation items may be dropped off at the Firelands Electric office in New London from Nov. 11 through Dec. 12, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The USO of Northern Ohio touches the lives of nearly 45,000 Active Duty, Guard, and Reserve military and their families throughout 29 counties. For more information visit the USO website, www.northernohio.uso.org, or Facebook page, www.facebook.com/USO-of-Northern-Ohio-144137532293857.