



Operation Santa Claus sends care packaging with pieces of home to every deployed Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) member over the holiday season as a way to boost their morale. The deployed CAF members consistently highlight how much they appreciate hearing from their community and knowing we are thinking of them. With this in mind, we have implemented two great ways for YOU and YOUR community to support our deployed troops during the holiday season: *Operation Tiny Troops Holiday Cards* and *Operation Merry Messages*.

OPERATION TINY TROOPS HOLIDAY CARDS

Operation Tiny Troops aims to get elementary school children to create holiday cards with messages (and drawings!) of thanks to the troops. Our mission is to ensure that every Op Santa package contains an *Operation Tiny Troops holiday card*.

If your child's class or school would like to get involved, please follow these steps:

- ✦ Send an email to opsanta@cfmws.com. In the email, please indicate:
 - ✦ Number of students that would like to participate;
 - ✦ Main point of contact (If there are more than one class, please pick a representative to be the main point of contact)
- ✦ Children can create their own cards using any type of paper (make sure to fold it into a card) or we can send you our pre-made templates that can easily be printed and personalized.
- ✦ Once all the cards have been completed, we will send you a pre-paid shipping slip to send all the cards back to us so we can send it over to the troops!

OPERATION MERRY MESSAGES

Operation Merry Messages is about sending in your best THANK YOU video message to the troops. Get creative with your friends and family and show our troops that the community at home is thankful for their dedication and service.

With the submissions received throughout the year, a heartwarming compilation will be put together and shared with the troops as they open their Op Santa care packages. The deadline for all submissions is mid-November.

So find your best ugly Christmas sweater, sing your favourite Christmas carol and help us lift our troop's spirits during the holiday season. For all video submissions or any questions, please email opsanta@cfmws.com.



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