



**- OSOT, Inc. -  
Shreveport  
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of our military and is a  
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God Bless all  
deployed, wounded  
and deceased  
U.S. military troops!

Dear Individual & Organizational Military Supporters:

Our organization has one final packing date scheduled this year:

**Christmas 2016 shipment - pack date Saturday, NOVEMBER 12, 2016**

Good items to collect: Instant hot chocolate mix/coffee/tea, containers of coffee cream & sugar, instant oatmeal/grits, Ramen noodle and instant cup-a-soups (any flavor but pork), tuna in foil packs, crackers, tube socks, non-aerosol athlete food medication, Blistex/Chapstick, blank Christmas cards to send their families (no overtly religious themes), small games (unwrapped), puzzle books, handmade Christmas cards and/or artwork made by children, notes/letters of appreciation & encouragement, monetary donations.

**Deadline for items at any drop off location is 11/11/16.**

**Note: For the Shreveport Chapter to send Christmas boxes again this year, monetary contributions are urgently needed. Although we continue to collect non-perishable food and hygiene items, we also must cover all our own shipping costs of approximately \$1.50/lb. (Our chapter spent nearly \$6,800 to ship 195 bxs. last Christmas) **A personal or business check in ANY amount (made out to Operation Support Our Troops, Inc. or OSOT, Inc.) is tax deductible and can be mailed c/o 243 Justin Ave., Shreveport, LA 71105.****

**Due to organizational rules, we cannot ship the following items:**

- pork products or anything pork flavored (i.e. vienna sausage, spam)
- home-baked goods (for safety reasons, items must be commercially packed)
- overtly religious items (i.e. prayer books, rosaries)
- aerosol cans (i.e. shaving cream, bug spray)
- any type of literature showing female "skin" (i.e. Sports Illustrated calendars)

**Here is additional information to keep in mind regarding this project:**

- For business/vacation travelers, we collect all unopened/unused travel size hygiene items found in hotel bathrooms.
- For those who choose to submit a box of items, make sure boxes are not sealed and remain open since members of our group must check contents of all boxes before shipment.

Please share with others our website information to help get more individuals/businesses/churches/schools/groups/organizations involved. Although troops have been pulled out of Iran/Iraq, there are thousands of them still in remote areas of the Middle East that need our continued support. Help us continue the OSOT mission: ***"We'll be here as long as they are there."***

On behalf of ALL deployed military troops and their families, thanks to ALL of you for your continued interest in and support of this project...*Shirley*