

# Medline's Big Give

You might be familiar with *Oprah's Big Give* – the prime-time television series that defied conventional reality show competition with the bold idea of people competing to *give* rather than *get*. Contestants crisscrossed the country, scrambling to find ways to impact the fates and fortunes of unsuspecting people, creating once-in-a-lifetime experiences and also giving away hundreds of thousands of dollars. The ultimate goal: deliver a “Big Give” and win some “big cash.”

There's no Oprah or big cash prizes at Medline – just a lot of heart. We have an extraordinary team of employees who willingly donate their time and money, continually seeking out new ways to help the people in our communities and beyond.

**Here are just a few of the generous acts in 2007 that make us proud to work at Medline:**

**Kids Hope United** – Teams of Medline volunteers delivered truckloads of food and gifts to needy families at risk for abuse and neglect.

**Amy DiSantis** (Operations) volunteered at Mundelein's **Shop with a Cop** event during the December holiday season. Children in need are given \$100 of donated money to purchase gifts for their family. Officers (and community members) assist the children in their shopping experience.

**The Medline Foundation** gave more than \$60,000 to help fund educational scholarships for children of Medline employees.

**The Medcrest Division** donated linen scraps to **Project Linus and Helping Hands**, two organizations that make blankets and quilts for sick children.



*Project Linus quilt made from Medcrest scraps*



*Stocking stuffers for marines stationed in Iraq*

**Operation Santa Program** – A team of Medline employees (participating in Fish!) supported our troops during the holiday season. They sponsored 20 marines in the Platoon of 1st Sgt C.L. Dural, 3rd LAR Alpha Co stationed in Iraq. They shipped Christmas stockings, trees, ornaments, decorations, presents, holiday CDs, batteries, snacks and medication.

**Medline Corporate** donated \$100,000 to the National Breast Cancer Foundation to provide free mammograms.

**Amy DiSantis** (Operations) and **Kathy Freund** (Master Data) organized a series of fundraisers to raise more than \$5,000 in cash donations and prizes for 21 Medline families who needed a helping hand during the holiday season.



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