



"I love my red bike and helmet! It was the best present EVER!"  
Jonathan age 4

Hello Friends,

The Village Dirtbags, a local group of mountain bike enthusiasts, are excited to present the fourth annual *Christmas Bike for Kids*. Our mission is simple: provide bikes and helmets to families of VAFB's deployed service members. The *Christmas Bikes* program is our way of supporting, and showing appreciation for, America's finest and their courageous families.

In 2006, the first year of *Christmas Bikes*, we gave away 12 bikes and helmets. Last year, that number was 70. This year, with so many service people still overseas in Iraq and Afghanistan, our goal is 100 bikes and helmets. Each bike and helmet is chosen specifically for a particular child's needs.

The Village Dirtbags would like to give you the chance to join us in our mission. Your support will be greatly appreciated by the children at VAFB, their parents, and the Dirtbags - just in time to celebrate the spirit of the Christmas season. Thank you in advance for your help!

To make a donation, mail your check and the attached form to 1201 E. Ocean Ave., Suite K, Lompoc, CA. Your friends can download a form online by going to [www.VillageDirtbags.com](http://www.VillageDirtbags.com) and clicking on *2009 Christmas Bikes for VAFB Kids*.

For more information on the Village Dirtbags, go to [www.VillageDirtbags.com](http://www.VillageDirtbags.com).

Sincerely,  
The Village Dirtbags



Thank you for your 2009 Christmas Bikes for Kids of Deployed VAFB Service Members contribution.

This year's contribution will be tax deductible as we have partnered with the Lompoc Chamber Community Development Foundation. 100% of each contribution will go directly towards the Bikes for Kids project.

Please complete the information below, make your check payable to "CCDF Christmas Bikes for VAFB Kids" and mail this form and your check, by November 15, 2009 to: **Bikes for VAFB Kids, 1201 E. Ocean Ave., Suite K, Lompoc, CA 93436.**

**ONE BIKE PLUS HELMET FOR EACH \$175 CONTRIBUTION**

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Bike(s) and Helmet(s) at \$175 each (*All size donations accepted*).

Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### THE VILLAGE DIRTBAGS

The Dirtbags have a strong passion for cycling, healthy competition, friendship and good fun.

We strive to be excellent ambassadors of cycling, to preserve and protect the environment where we live and cycle, and to promote mountain biking in a way that is environmentally sound and socially responsible.

In addition to the Christmas Bikes, our outreach includes: Foodbank of Santa Barbara County, Juvenile Diabetes, and Breast Cancer 3-day Walk.

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*“We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.”*

*Sir Winston Churchill*



I would like to give a special thank you to the people that helped make my children's Christmas super special. My husband was deployed during the Christmas season and my son was already having to accept that rough change. However, the word was passed that anyone in need of a bike and helmet whose parent was deployed could take part in this great cause. I was so excited and the look on my son's face was priceless! This was a great way to lift our children's spirits in a family time of the year! Again thank you for all of your support and of course the great donation.

*-Amanda*

### SAVE THE DATE

To see the difference you have made in the lives of these kids and their families, please join us at Bicycles Unlimited, 660 North H St. in Lompoc, on December 19th between 10am and noon as we distribute bikes and helmets.



## 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BIKES FOR KIDS OF DEPLOYED VAFB SERVICE MEMBERS

