

# Blue Santa brightens holiday spirit

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Chico Police's Blue Santa (Mike Maloney, left) hands out gifts to Heather Carpenter (center) and Shayla Carpenter, 2, (right) with other children and families Thursday



at the Esplanade House in Chico. Gifts were delivered for about 104 children this year. This is the fifth year the Chico Police Department has held the Blue Santa event for the Esplanade House residents. Several coats were also donated for many of the parents at the house by a faith-based community group.

- [WATCH video of Blue Santa Visits Esplanade House](#)
- [PHOTO GALLERY of Blue Santa at Esplanade House](#)