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Dear Traci,

As you know, the holidays are a time to come together with family and friends. Unfortunately, many seniors in our community do not spend the holidays surrounded by loved ones. To help brighten up the holidays for these folks, the Cambridge Police Department established the Secret Santa for Seniors Program in 2007. This year (our 12th!) the Cambridge Police Department, with the assistance of the community and local businesses, was able to deliver holiday gift bags to over 450 Cambridge senior citizens on the morning of December 24, 2018. Gift bags included sweaters, pajamas, gloves, blankets, gift cards, coffee, tea, snacks, and other goodies.

We have received many heartfelt "thanks" from seniors who received gifts. We wanted to pass along our thanks to you and recognize your contributions to the program. Secret Santa for Seniors would not have been possible, or nearly as successful, if it were not for the generous donations from the community and local businesses, the volunteers who delivered the gifts, and especially the continued significant support from all of you who participated in such a big way at MIT.

On behalf of the Cambridge Police Department, we sincerely thank you for helping to make this program a success. Your support and contributions to the Secret Santa for Seniors Program are very much appreciated.

We look forward to continuing this program's success next year!

Sincerely,

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