ANF seeks donations for Christmas baskets

The Alaska Native Foundation is collecting food and money donations to put together Christmas dinner baskets for Alaska Native families who can't afford a turkey and all the trimmings this year.

"During the Christmas season many of us may tell ourselves how much we'd like to help another family less fortunate than our own, but end up doing nothing," an ANF spokeswoman Each basket will cost about \$25, and it is tax deductible.

Some of the families being sponsored will be identified through the Anchorage School District, the Alaska Native Medical Center, the Department of Health and Social Services and many other organizations.

Under the supervision of East High School Counselor Lucy Brown, a group of Native high school students will take on the task of decorating the baskets before they are filled with food and delivered. The deadline for donating is Dec. 18 at 5 p.m. Those who want more information may call Lorraine Gafford at 258-7452 for details.

Also being sought are people to volunteer to help deliver, decorate or fill the baskets.