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## **SPEC MIX Charity Auction Helps to Deliver 2,000 Bikes for Deserving Children in the Dallas-Ft. Worth Community**

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EAGAN, MN— Through donations from the Texas masonry community, SPEC MIX, Larry Sauls and Friends, and Academy Sports partnered to raise enough money to donate 2,000 bikes for underprivileged kids in the Dallas-Ft. Worth Metroplex. The bikes were delivered to Dallas ABC affiliate, WFAA, during their Santa’s Helpers charity drive on December 17, 2019 at Victory Park in Downtown Dallas.

\$50,000 of the money raised for the donation was done through the masonry auction, “Bricks, Blocks and Bags for Bikes,” at the SPEC MIX BRICKLAYER 500 North Texas Regional Series. The event was hosted by Builder’s Equipment and Supply in Ft. Worth on October 10th, 2019.

WFAA Chief Meteorologist Pete Delkus said, “Santa’s Helpers was started at WFAA 50 years ago. We gather toys for 50,000 kids and distribute them for the Christmas season. Without the generosity from folks like SPEC MIX this wouldn’t be possible.” Delkus was pleased to see the size of the donation that came in from this year, “When I heard that [SPEC MIX] was donating 2,000 bikes, I was blown away. We’ve never had anyone do that before.”

Larry Sauls and Friends, a non-profit organization operating since 2001, was already planning on donating 650 bikes to Santa’s Helper’s this year, and when he partnered with Harris at SPEC MIX, he knew he could find the money for an extra 350 bikes, rounding out the donation to 2,000.

“20 years ago I decided to give back to the community, so I started donating bikes, sleeping bags and coats. Every year I would donate a little bit more, and we grew. We then started getting our customers involved, and now, with the help of SPEC MIX, we donated \$128,000 in toys,” Sauls said.

To learn more about the auction and donation, and to see video of the event visit <https://www.specmix.com/bricks-blocks-and-bags-for-bikes/>

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