

Gifts in Kind

Alberta
Children's
HOSPITAL 
FOUNDATION

Toy & General Wish List

September - December 2019

Thank you for your generosity in donating new toys to the kids at the Alberta Children's Hospital. Toys are special gifts that make kids feel more at home and help brighten their spirits during their stay in hospital. These donations are used throughout the year as distractions and rewards during procedures and tests; special gifts to celebrate birthdays, holidays and other milestones; prizes for bingo nights; and to provide entertainment in playrooms. We are so grateful for your support!

Donation Guidelines Due to the hospital's infection control guidelines and space constraints only certain items can be accepted. Please understand that for reasons of safety and privacy donors can not hand out gifts personally to patients.

All items must be **new, unwrapped** and:

- ✓ come from a smoke-free, pet-free environment
- ✓ be free of corporate branding and personal messaging
- ✓ be sturdy, well-built, non-breakable and able to withstand a lot of use
- ✓ be safe (no sharp edges, no small pieces for infant and toddler toys, and must be made of non-toxic materials)
- ✓ be easy to disinfect (should have hard surfaces like plastic, vinyl, varnished/painted wood, metal)
- ✓ be non-aggressive (no toy weapons, no violent action figures)

Please note we are unable to accept:

- ✗ used or previously owned items
- ✗ stuffed toys taller than 18 inches
- ✗ toy kitchens and playsets or large rideable cars and trucks
- ✗ food products, dietary supplements or beverages
- ✗ large quantities of the same item (20+)
- ✗ homemade cards and personal notes

Infant and Toddlers

- Toys with lights and sound
- Rattles
- Gentle music/sound toys
- Teething rings
- Push/pull toys
- Crib toys
- Little People figures
- Vinyl and board storybooks
- Thomas the Tank Engine figures
- Preemie Sleepers

- Crib mobiles (non-fabric)
- Infant mirrors
- Oballs

Preschool and School Age

- Action figures
- Popular TV figurines – Paw Patrol, Peppa Pig, Disney, PJ Masks, etc.
- Animal and dinosaur figurines
- Superhero Capes
- Board games
- Fisher Price medical kits

- Puzzles (24, 48, 63 or 100 pieces)
- Mr. or Mrs. Potato Head

Teens

- Gift cards \$5-\$20 (malls, movies, clothing stores, restaurants, coffee, Chapters, Michael's, Spotify, iTunes, Dollarama, EB Games, Netflix)
- Ear buds
- Soccer balls, Basketballs, Footballs
- Board and card games
- Puzzles – 250-500 pieces

Teens continued...

- Sketchbooks (without coils)
- Graphite pencils for sketching
- Adult colouring/doodle art books
- Acrylic or watercolour paint sets
- Paint by number set
- Activity books
- Journals (without coils)
- Rubik's cube
- Beauty products (nail polish, bath products, etc.)
- Small remote control cars/trucks
- Slippers and pyjamas
- Sports or Teen Magazines

Parents and Family Members

- Gift cards (for ACH cafeteria, gas stations, groceries, movies, etc.)
- Family-friendly DVDs, Disney and current
- Small notebooks and pen
- Diapers – all sizes

Child and Youth Interactive Media Program

- Video game systems (for Wii U, Xbox 360, Xbox One, PS3, PS4, Nintendo Switch)
- iPad - 32GB and only Wi-Fi is needed
- Video games rated Everyone to Teen (for Wii U, Xbox 360, Xbox One, PS3, PS4, Nintendo Switch, Nintendo 3DS)
- Game controllers (for Wii U, Xbox 360, Xbox One, PS3, PS4, Nintendo Switch, Nintendo Gamecube)

Other Electronics

- Portable DVD Players
- USB sticks
- Inexpensive over-the-ear headphones
- Bluetooth Speakers

... and there is also an ongoing need for:

- Find It Tubes
- Pinwheels
- Playing cards
- Play-Doh (individual cans not sets)
- Rubber balls
- Washable markers
- Colouring books
- Gift bags and wrapping paper
- Stickers (alphabet, animals, etc.)
- Lego (small sets)
- Disney, Pixar, Dreamworks DVD movies rated G-PG 13 – must be suitable for children, youth and teens
- High quality small stuffed animals (Less than 18 inches with store tags on)
- Kindness Kits** care packages for patients and families with essential items and activities - please ask us for information on what to include and how to assemble these kits.

Auction Items The Foundation is fortunate to benefit from several exciting events throughout the year, many with an auction or prizing component. In order to help raise much needed funds for the hospital, we are looking for unique items/services/experiences to feature in one or more of these prestigious events. If your business or organization would like to donate an auction item, please call us for more information.

Drop-Off Times and Locations

Please contact us at 403-955-8818 or kids@achf.com to arrange a time to deliver your donation.

Foundation Office (Level 2 - take elevator or main stairs)
Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm *Closed statutory holidays

Foundation Holiday Hours 2019

Please deliver donations by **Friday, December 20** for staff to have time to sort and prepare them for distribution.

Fri. Dec. 13: 8:30 am – Noon

Tue. Dec. 24: 8:30 am – Noon

Wed. Dec. 25: Closed Christmas Day

Thur. Dec. 26: Closed Boxing Day

Fri. Dec. 27: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Mon. Dec. 30: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Tue. Dec. 31: 9:00 am – Noon

Wed. Jan. 1: Closed New Year's Day

Shipping and Receiving – for Sizeable Donations that require a cart or assistance

Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm *Please make an appointment by calling 403-955-8839 or 403-955-2632

Admitting Desk (Level 1) – after hours and weekends / small donations only

Monday – Friday 4:30 pm – 8:30 am / Saturday and Sunday all day

For more information about our Gifts in Kind program, please contact the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation or visit www.childrenshospital.ab.ca/giftsinkind. Thank you!

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