

Child Life Services'

GUIDE FOR ACCEPTABLE TOY DONATIONS

Ages 0-3

No-Spill Bubbles, plastic blocks and stacking rings, dolls, non-cloth mobiles and cradle gyms, Fisher-Price toys and Little People, trucks, play telephones, sight and sound books, lullabies and classical music CDs, infant crib soothers, infant aquariums, non-cloth rattles, plastic infant links, musical and light-up toys, pop-up toys, new spoons and sippy cups, teething rings, shape-sorters, books.

Ages 4-8

Cars, trucks, arts and craft supplies and kits, crayons, play doctor kits, pretend play sets, Little People, animal toys, Play-Doh, I SPY books, LEGOs, LEGO kits, toy trains, board games such as Connect Four, Guess Who, Sorry and UNO, dolls, Grab & Go Play Packs, and current board games.

Ages 8-12

Art supplies, craft and sand art kits, colored pencils and markers jewelry-making kits, Matchbox cars, non-violent action figures, Pillow Pets, superheroes, new DVD movies rated G or PG, playing cards, and card or board games, such as Guess Who, UNO, Connect 4, Sorry, Monopoly, The Game of Life and other current board games.

Ages 13 and up

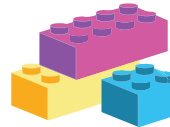
Art supplies and craft kits, beading kits, nail polish sets, hair brush sets and accessories, photo albums, yarn and knitting or crocheting kits, journals, stationary sets, new magazines, scrapbooks, sports team items, advanced LEGO kits, plain white tee shirts in all sizes, slippers, new fleece blankets, board games such as: Pictionary, Scrabble.

Tech Items

2DS and 3DS systems and games (rated E-T), Playstation 4 games (rated E-T), Wii U or Nintendo Switch games (rated E-T), Xbox 360 and Xbox One games (rated E-T), controllers (PS4, Xbox One, Wii, Switch), Xbox One controllers and games (rated E-T), portable DVD players, new release DVD movies (rated G, PG, or PG-13)

Gift cards

Gift cards make wonderful gifts, especially for our teens. Examples: Mastercard/Visa, Target, Best Buy, Michaels, AC Moore, Walmart, Amazon



Unacceptable Items

NO USED TOYS, BABY EQUIPMENT, OR CLOTH ITEMS of any kind are accepted due to infection control guidelines, as they could be harmful to children. This includes used stuffed animals and cards.

- No small toys a child might choke on or homemade cloth toys.
- Please **DO NOT WRAP** donations as items must be checked before being given to a child.
- Other unacceptable items include **FOOD** and **USED COMPUTERS**.

Delivery

For general donation questions, please call the Donation Line at **617-355-6556**. Donations can be dropped off at the reception desk in the main lobby at 300 Longwood Avenue Monday through Friday 9am to 4pm. For larger donations, contact Child Life Services to schedule a dropoff time: **617-355-6551**. Martha Eliot Health Center, Waltham, and Peabody also accept donations. Please refer to **Patient Resources/Getting Here** for contact information.

Due to infection control, safety, and the privacy of our patients and families, donors are not allowed to personally distribute gifts directly to patients.

Please complete our donation receipt available at the front desk so we can acknowledge your donation.

Items can also be mailed to:

Attn: Child Life Services 300 Longwood Ave Boston, MA 02115

Gifts to Boston Children's are deeply appreciated. However, many gifts are received at the holiday season. Your gifts of toys at other times of the year will help children year round and not overload them at the holidays. Thank you!

Other ways you can help support our Child Life Services are:

- Yard sales
- Bake sales
- Lemonade stands
- Joining our team for EVERSOURCE Walk for Kids
- Making a gift in someone's honor for great care received at Boston Children's. Please make checks payable to "Child Life Services."



For more information, please contact: Child.Life@childrens.harvard.edu or call the Donation Line: **617-355-6556**



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