

BIG WISHES

As with most homes, there are always large items that are needed. Any assistance you can provide with this list is appreciated!

Laptop computer

GPS Systems for transportation

New toddler seats/infant seats/booster seats

New double strollers

Flat screen/DVD television units

Wii System and games

PlayStation III and games

Breathing machine for asthma treatments

Twin mattresses

Comforters

Picnic tables

Area rugs



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ARTS & CRAFTS DRIVE

Activities keep the kids busy after school while helping to develop their creativity, motor skills and confidence

Plastic tubs/all sizes

White poster board

Washable tempura paints (bottles and gallons)

Stickers for boys and girls

White glue

Chenille pipe cleaners

Glitter Glue

Craft foam sheets

Crayola markers

Felt Squares

Crepe streamers

Fabric ribbons

Curling ribbons

Scented markers

¾ inch scotch tape refills

Cricut cartridges

36" x 1000' rolls of colored craft paper

Drawing paper

Paint brushes

Beads

Scrapbooks & scrapbook materials

Dress up costumes (boys and girls)

Paints and easels

Interactive arts and crafts projects

Foam craft projects

Glitter and sand art kits

Colored tissue paper

Play-doh

Laminating sheets (8 1/2 x 11)

Portable laminator



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FAMILY VISITATION PROGRAM

Family Baskets/Kits

Our Facilitated Visitation Program facilitates visitation between families and children referred by CPS. Our visitation program assists parents in maintaining family bonds with children who are in foster care and supports family reunification by modeling positive supportive parenting techniques during visitation.

Many of our families are homeless, are working toward finding stable jobs, may be recovering from substance abuse, or may have mental health issues. Our staff share many different available resources that may help support family reunification. A starter bag or basket can go a long way towards helping these families get back on their feet.

Ideas for Family Baskets/Kits for successfully completing the program:

Clothes/cotton shorts/shirts – 0 to 12 yrs.

Backpacks – 5 to 12 yrs.

Diapers

Baby supplies (bottles, wipes, ointment etc)

Interactive games for families (board games/card games)

Movie night (popcorn, family movies)

Gift cards (grocery stores, movie tickets)

Hygiene kits (tooth brushes, tooth paste, deodorant, combs, brushes, shampoo / conditioner)



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FUN IN THE SUN DRIVE

Summer is a great time of year for our kids! We are extra mindful of the activities we organize to provide them with plenty of exercise and learning activities while they are out of school.

Have a drive for the kids' summer recreation!

Summer clothing (all sizes) up to age 12

Sunscreen with moisturizer

Bug Spray (no deet)

Bike helmets and pads

Sturdy bikes and tricycles

Strollers, double and single

In-line skates, all sizes

New bathing suits for boys and girls

Beach towels

Flip flops

Pool toys

Blow up pools for tiny tots

Garden hoses with caddy

Water toys

Gift certificates/passes to water parks



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HAPPY AND HEALTHY DRIVE

Casa de los Niños always has a medical staff working who provide basic medical care to the children. First Aid supplies and other health items are in constant rotation as is our need to replace them. Any medications need to be unopened.

Liquid body wash

Lotion: Eucerin, Cetaphil, Lubriderm

Hypoallergenic wipes

Receiving blankets – cotton

Teething rings

Latex gloves (med/large)

Kleenex

Neosporin/triple antibiotic ointment

Breathing machine for kids with asthma

Gatorade

Bandages

Accessories for hair (including African American hair products)

Pudding (pre made)

Pedialyte

Ginger Ale

Fingernail clippers

Sunscreen

Nix shampoo

Lotrimin cream

Hydrocortisone ointment

Infant & children's Tylenol (store brand OK – single medication, no combination types)

Saline drops and spray

Benadryl (liquid and tablet)

Pediasure

Children's multi-vitamins

Vick's vapor rub

Desitin

Nasal suction bulbs

Axillary thermometers

Gas drops

Pillows



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HAPPY HOME IMPROVEMENT DRIVE

Our maintenance department keeps our buildings and grounds in top shape so that we can provide a safe, secure environment for the children. They are always in need of items to meet the needs of the agency.

Gift certificates to Home Depot/Lowes

Car wash/cleaning vouchers

Oil change vouchers

Tune up vouchers

Sander

Cordless/rechargeable drill



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TINY TOT DRIVE

Bottles, sippy cups, pacifiers

Baby food (jars), fruits and vegetables only

Pajamas (including onsie's for babies)

Crib sheets and mattress pads, bassinette sheets

Diapers (very small and larger sizes, 4, 5 and 6) and pull ups

Training pants for boys/girls (sizes 3 to 5)

Socks with secure elastic

Baby spoons with handles for little ones

Hypoallergenic wipes

Receiving blankets – cotton

Taggie blankets (for coping skills for infants)

Teething rings

Fingernail clippers

Swimming diapers

Car seats

Booster seats

Infants seats

Riding toys



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TOY DRIVE

Children don't need toys just during the holidays! We also send the children away with toys, and provide them with gifts for birthdays and other holidays through the year. Our shelves are in constant need of restocking, especially by August, as the toys received during the holidays start to diminish.

So think about drives during slower times of the year!

Ethnically Diverse Dolls*

Bean bag chair

Sensory toys

Puzzles and Board Games

Educational/Interactive games (family and 0 15 year olds)

Musical Instruments

Dress Up Costumes – boys and girls

Little Tykes Vanity Tables

Jewelry making supplies

Tonka motorized rescue helicopter, ambulance, emergency rescue, police car, fire truck

Fisher Price Loving Family dollhouse, people and accessories

Toy Story action figures

Legos

Books

Remote Control Cars

Barbies

Little Tykes Fisher Price Play Kitchen

Little Tykes Shopping Carts

Little Tykes Picnic Tables

Little Tykes Ride Ons

Water Toys

Sports equipment (basketballs, footballs, soccer balls, skateboards, rollerblades)

Bike helmets and knee pads (all sizes)

CD Players

Disney and Radio Disney CD's

Play baby strollers, vacuum cleaners, lawn mowers

Games (rated E and G) for PlayStation II



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GIFT CERTIFICATE DRIVE

Movie Theater passes

Kid Friendly Amusement Areas (Golf n Stuff,
Funtastics, Bedroxx, Monkey business)

Fast food and Pizza restaurants

Target, Kohl's, Wal-Mart

Visa Gift Cards (to take children shopping or
school clothes)

Home Depot/Lowes

Car wash/cleaning vouchers

Oil Change vouchers

Tune-Up vouchers

Zoo Memberships/passes

Grocery store/Costco

Michael's/Joann's Art Supply

Optical Stores for kids eyeglasses

Jonathon's/Teaching tools/education stores

Walgreens/CVS



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IT TAKES A VILLAGE DRIVE

Welcome Baskets for Foster Families: Children are many times placed in foster homes with very little notice and with nothing but the clothes they are wearing. It is a hectic time when children come into care and foster families often scramble to pick up essential items to get the children through the first couple of nights. With the recent financial cuts to foster care, foster families are placed in a position to close the gap between what the State reimburses them for and the cost of caring for a child.

Infants/toddlers (newborn-4 years):

Diapers

Wipes

Pacifiers

Onesies

Pajamas

Pull-ups

Toys

Socks

Tear-free shampoo

Children (ages 5-9):

Underwear

Toothbrushes/floss

Socks

Pajamas

Clothing

Brushes/combs

Hair supplies (Hair ties, head bands, etc.)

Shoes

Teens (ages 10-18)

Underwear

Toothbrushes/floss

Socks

Pajamas

Brushes/combs

Hair supplies (Hair ties, head bands, etc.)

Baseball caps / hats

Deodorant

Hairspray, gel, mousse

Gift cards for clothing (Kohl's, Target, Wal-Mart, Ross, Old Navy etc)

Gift cards for shoes



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SUPPORTING KINSHIP FOSTER PLACEMENTS

Kinship foster families are family members of a child who have been asked to care for him/her by the State.

Often the family members are grandparents living on a fixed income or an aunt who is already caring for her own children. Many times these placements are made with a moment's notice. Approximately four to six months pass between the time a child is placed in their home and the time foster care licensure takes place. The financial burden during this time period is heavy for most kinship families.

Gift cards (Target/Wal-Mart/kohl's)

Passes/gift certificates for activities (i.e. dance lessons, \$ for instruments, bowling, horseback riding lessons, sports equipment, etc)

Gift cards to purchase furniture

Grocery store gift cards

Gift certificates for restaurants (McD/Taco Bell/Gegee's/Subway)

Backpacks

School Supplies

Family board games

Kid friendly DVD's



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