



Decide whether you will pack a shoebox for a girl or a boy, and the age category: 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14

Add these items.

- Pencils (5 or more)
- Small manual pencil sharpener
- Eraser–Big
- Eraser–Pencil Top
- Notebook – 70 page spiral
- Colored pencils (Boys & Girls 5-9 & 10-14)
- Crayons (Boys & Girls 2-4)
- Comb (Boys)
- Hairbrush (Girls)
- Toothbrush
- Washcloth
- Bar soap (packaged and/or in a container)
- Tennis ball
- Small Car (Hot Wheels, Matchbox)
- Wow! Item. Suggested items listed on front.
- Finish filling the shoebox with a few of your favorite items. Suggestions below.
- \$9 suggested donation. Details on below.

Wow! Item

This is the item that captures the child’s attention the instant he or she opens the box. Suggestions: Soccer ball (Make sure to include a manual air pump and needles so that the ball can be reinflated) • Doll • Stuffed animal • An outfit of clothing to wear such as shirt, pants, pillow case dress (loose-fitting sundress) • Small musical instrument such as a harmonica or woodwind recorder • Toy Truck or Boat

Filler Items Suggestions

Clothing and Accessories

Underwear • Shoes / Socks • Flip-flops • Hat/Scarf/Mittens • Sunglasses • Decorative Hat • Baseball Cap • Backpack / Drawstring Backpack • Purse / Tote Bag • Bead Jewelry • Bead Kit • Friendship Bracelets (woven with yard or embroidery thread) • Hair Accessories (Hair Clips, Hair Ribbons, Elastic Hair Bands, etc.) • Wrist watch

Crafts and Activities

Puzzles • Sewing kit, fabric (1-2 yards), and ribbon • Gardening Kit with gloves and trowel hand tool (do not include seeds) • Tool set with work gloves • Fishing Kit • Marbles • Jump Rope • Book • Watercolor set [Finger paint palette/crayons/markers (non-liquid containers), paint brushes, canvas or paper] • Building blocks • Playdough (Consider adding plastic cookie cutters as non-sharp utensils the child can use with the playdough) • Stickers • Coloring Pad, Coloring Book

School Supplies

Colored Pencils • Crayons • Pencil Case • Pens • Safety (Blunt Tip) Scissors • Blank Index Cards • Solar-Powered Calculator • Ruler • Protractor • Small Adhesive Tape • Glue Stick (Do not include liquid glue)

Toys

Finger puppets • Slinky • Etch A Sketch • Play cars/trucks/boats • Plastic tools • Plastic dinosaurs • Interactive toys that include push buttons, lights, noise (include extra batteries) • Hacky sack • Small Frisbee • Yo-Yo • Baseball and Mitt • Foam Ball • Kaleidoscope • Costume Items to play dress-up, such as crowns and costume jewelry • Plastic Toys and Toy Figures

Personal Care Items

Hairbrush • Comb • Adhesive bandages (Colorful ones can help a child be more willing to wear a bandage. Do not include liquid antibiotic ointment.) • Reusable plastic containers: cup, water bottle, plate, bowl, blunt-edged utensils (Consider filling an empty container with non-liquid items such as combs, markers, sunglasses, or washcloths to maximize the space.) • Blanket • Nail clipper and file

Do not include these items

Candy • Toothpaste • Used or Damaged Items • War Related Items Such as Toy Guns, Knives or Military Figures • Seeds • Chocolate or Food • Liquids or Lotions • Medications or Vitamins • Breakable Items such as Snow Globes or Glass Containers • Aerosol Cans

Donate \$9 per shoebox

The \$9 donation provides for collecting, processing, and shipping to countries all over the world. When you make the donation online, you can Follow Your Box by using the Look-up Tool to find out the country where your box will be delivered. You can give online by scanning the QR code on the label attached to the top of the shoebox or activating your label at www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/activation If you prefer to make your donation by check, a postage-paid envelope is inside this box for your convenience.

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