Donation Guidelines and FAQ’s

Thank you for your interest in donating items for patients and families served by Peyton Manning Children’s Hospital. The following guidelines have been created to assist you and to ensure that your items will be delivered to patients in the most effective manner. Items donated during the year are distributed to patients on a daily basis by our Child Life Team to celebrate holidays, birthdays, treatment milestones, to help kids through particularly tough days or procedures and to supply toys to our playrooms.

Donating is as easy as 1-2-3

1. Read our donation acceptance policy and FAQ’s
2. Look over our wish list and collect your items.
3. Drop off your donation and fill out a Gift-in-Kind form at the front desk in the main lobby of PMCH.

Acceptance Policy
There are restrictions to what we can and cannot accept. Please review and adhere to the following:

- Due to infection control we cannot accept used stuffed animals, books, magazines, games or used cloth items.
- Several patients have allergies to dust, animal hair, second hand smoke and pollens. Please make sure all handmade fabric items are as clean as possible to help limit allergic reactions.
- No latex balloons are allowed in the hospital.
- All items should arrive unwrapped and in original packaging. Clothing and stuffed animals must have original tags on them.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ’s):

- Can we donate gently used stuffed animals?
  We cannot accept any used stuffed animals or cloth items for infection control reasons. This includes stuffed animals that have not been played with and have only been on display or on shelves at home.

- Can we donate gently used books?
  We cannot accept any used books for infection control reasons.

- What if my donation is very large?
  Please contact our Child Life department at 317.338.8899 at least one week in advance to make arrangements for your donation delivery.

- Can I bring food and candy to the patients?
  Many of our patients have restricted diets and food allergies so we are unable to accept food or candy donations for patients. We are able to schedule family dinner nights or meals for staff. If you are interested in providing a meal for families or staff please contact our Child Life department at 317.338.8899. All food donations must be store-bought or catered in by a restaurant.
Frequently Asked Questions (cont’d.):

• **How many gifts do I need to bring?**
  We accept donations of all sizes. We have a total of 55 pediatric inpatient beds and our patients range from infants to teenagers.

• **Can my group make handmade cards?**
  You may create and send cards to the hospital, and the cards will be delivered to patients. Please do not write “get well soon” or place religious messages on your design, but rather write positive and encouraging messages. You may create and send cards to patients through our E-card program.

  To learn more, visit “Patient Artwork Cards” under the “Ways to Give” tab on our website at peytonmanning.stvincent.org.

**Monetary Gifts**

To donate money to Peyton Manning Children’s Hospital, call 317.338.5095 or visit “Ways to Give” on our website at peytonmanning.stvincent.org

**Gift cards**

We can accept donations of gift cards to help our families and patients in need while staying at the hospital. We ask that the gift cards range in amounts from $5 to $25. Gift cards that we find helpful:

- Store gift cards (Target, Walmart, Meijer, Best Buy)
- iTunes
- Amazon.com
- Gas cards
- Food cards (Subway, McDonald’s, Applebee’s, Donato’s, Jimmy Johns, Panera, Starbucks)

Please bring your gift to:

Peyton Manning Children’s Hospital at St. Vincent (Entrance 4)
2001 West 86th Street,
Indianapolis, IN 46260

Someone is available to accept in-kind donations at the front desk 7 days a week, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

**Online Wish Lists**

Make shopping easy with the following link to our online wish list.