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**Comer Children's**

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## CHILD LIFE DONATION GUIDELINES & WISH LIST

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The Child Life Program at Comer Children's is an essential component to helping patients and their families cope with a hospital stay. Our specialists know children with any medical condition are in need of more than just medical care to heal and recover—they need development-focused support, interaction with their peers, and time to play. These critical programmatic elements are made possible because of the generous contributions and gifts from individuals, foundations, and groups. In-kind donations of the items listed below enable our team to carry out their important work. We are deeply grateful for your support!

### GENERAL TOY DONATION GUIDELINES

In order to adhere to Hospital Policy and Best Practice, all toy donations must follow these strict guidelines:

- Brand new, with original tags and packaging on all items;
- Non-violent, no weapons including guns & knives;
- Durable, non-toxic, and plastic;
- Non-denominational;
- Not gift-wrapped.

Due to safety and infection control guidelines, we are

**UNABLE** to accept:

- Handmade items
- Anything with Latex
- Small Rubber Balls
- Magnetic Toys
- Foam toys or puzzles
- Breakable Items such as ceramic or glass
- Sharp Items, including nail clippers, metal nail files
- Candles
- Food

### DELIVERY

To schedule drop-off and delivery to Comer Children's (5721 S. Maryland Ave., Chicago, IL 60637), please arrange a date and time with Amy Carter, Lead Child Life Specialist & Donation Coordinator at 773-702-0407 or [amy.carter@uchospitals.edu](mailto:amy.carter@uchospitals.edu).

*Due to infection control and confidentiality guidelines, donors are not allowed to distribute gifts to patients. Our Child Life team will make certain that all items are distributed appropriately to the patients and families in need.*

### MONETARY DONATIONS

Generous gifts of cash are an incredible way to make an impact on the needs of the Child Life and Family Education Program at Comer Children's. Checks can be made out to **Comer Children's Hospital Child Life** and mailed to Comer Children's Hospital Attn: Amy Carter – Child Life, K-135, 5721 S. Maryland Avenue, MC 8008, Chicago, IL 60637

Or, please visit our website: [give.uchicago.edu/child-life](http://give.uchicago.edu/child-life)





## TOP 10 WISH LIST ITEMS

- UNO Cards
- Medical play kits
- Non-Toxic Art Supplies & Craft Kits
- Plastic Infant/Toddler Toys
- Small LEGO Kits
- Infant crib soothers (all plastic)
- Play-Doh Party Packs
- Board Books
- Matchbox Cars
- Gift Cards (Amazon, Target)

### INFANTS/TODDLERS (Birth-36 Months)

Area of HIGH NEED, over 50% of our patients are under 3 years old

- Musical & light up toys
- Rattles and Teethers
- Stacking Cups
- Chunky Toddler Cars
- Little People Figures
- My First Crayola: Mess-Free 2-in-1-Doodle Board (ages 2 and up)
- One Piece Toys, such as: Infantino Activity Triangles, Fisher Price Pop-Up toys
- Graco Sweet Slumber Sound Machines
- Fisher-Price Rainforest Peek-a-Boo Soother, Waterfall

### PRESCHOOL & SCHOOL-AGE (3-10 Years Old)

- Bubble Tumblers (no spill containers)
- African American Baby Dolls & Barbies (all plastic)
- Action figures (non-violent), including Spiderman, Batman, Superman, Wonder Woman
- PJ Masks, Paw Patrol, Moana, Mickey/Minnie Mouse, Thomas the Tank Engine Items
- Small LEGO Kits
- Small Play-Doh Kits
- Animals/Dinosaurs Figures
- Play Food
- Picture Books

### ADOLESCENTS (11-18 Years Old)

- Teen Support Gift Cards (Amazon, Target)
- Fun Socks & Slippers with Grips
- Headphones/Earbuds
- Hand-Held Electronic Games (i.e. 20 Questions, Connect 4, Battleship)
- Journals & Scrapbooks
- Word Search Puzzle Books
- Games: Monopoly, Sorry, Connect 4, Battleship, Scrabble, Clue, Trouble

## GENERAL TECHNOLOGY NEEDS

- i-Pads, i-Pods
- New release DVD movies (Rated G, PG, PG-13)
- Batteries – AA, C, D, 9-volt

To view our Amazon Wish List, please visit: <http://bit.ly/ComerCheer>