

Holy Family Shelter 2020 Christmas Season Needs

This Christmas is unlike any Christmas we will experience in our 36-year history. We are serving families here in the shelter, extended stay hotels, and other safe alternative housing. In addition to our case management services of assisting with employment and housing, we are bringing families support supplies in the form of food, clothing, diapers, infant formula, personal care items, school support, and many other needed items.



Thank you for your help to ensure this Christmas is safe, healthy, and filled with joy for the unprecedented number of families in need!



Suggested Christmas Gift List

Winter Coats (especially plus size)

- New clothing (all sizes especially toddler and plus size adult)
- Gift Cards (Walmart, Kroger, Speedway Gas, etc.)
- Dolls of all ethnicities; new age-appropriate toys
- New undergarments for children & adults (underwear, socks, bras, etc.; especially girls' sizes 4-7)
- Inexpensive bluetooth headsets (teenagers love them!)
- Perfume / Cologne /Ethnic hair care products
- Address books, calendars & journals
- Wallets, inexpensive watches & jewelry (for men & women)
- Infant toys, baby bottles, all baby supplies
- Pajamas & slippers (children & adults)

Below is a list of gifts and support items that would really make this unusual Christmas a very special one for our homeless families.

Gifts can be brought directly to the shelter 7 days a week from 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Please **do not wrap gifts** -- we will be letting the families pick from the gifts and wrap them.

Essential Supplies Needed

- Laundry detergent; bleach
- Toilet paper; paper towels
- Dish Soap; latex gloves
- Disinfectant spray; hand sanitizer
- Disposable masks

Please Note: We usually receive a large amount of toys for infants, toddlers, and younger children. We also serve homeless teenagers each year, and the teens are often left out due to minimal "age appropriate" gifts. Inexpensive sports related clothing (Colts & Pacers), inexpensive watches, and jewelry are big hits with the teens!

Our Greatest Need is Financial Assistance: There are a number of additional expenses during the holiday season. Donations can be made online by clicking "<u>GIVE NOW</u>" on our website or Facebook page. Checks can also be dropped off or mailed directly to the shelter. Please make checks payable to *HOLY FAMILY SHELTER*, *907 N. Holmes Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46222*. All contributions are tax deductible as allowed by law.

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