



**Shriners Hospitals  
for Children®**  
Chicago

## **Giving toys and items to the Chicago Shriners Hospital**

New latex-free toys, art supplies and other in-kind gifts support programs throughout the hospital and encourage our patients. Donors will be asked to fill out a Gift-in-Kind form when they deliver a donation to the hospital.

Our hospital gladly accepts donations of new, latex-free items. Unfortunately, we **cannot** accept used toys, used car seats, used cloth diapers, decorative hanging quilts or any items that contain rubber or latex.

**To learn more about the hospital's current needs or arrange a larger donation, please contact:**

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### **Ideas for giving**

Toys:

- New unwrapped toys and dolls
- Small toys such as yo-yos and dominoes
- Toys for children under age 2
- Small bottles of bubbles

Balls:

- Latex-free sports balls
- Nerf balls

Art supplies:

- Painting sets
- Coloring books – non violent
- Crayons, colored pencils and markers
- Velvet posters to color
- Stickers
- Play Dough/modeling clay
- Journals/diaries

Games:

- Playing cards
- Card games (UNO, Skip Bo, Old Maid)
- Board games

Other ideas:

- Backpacks
- Cameras (35mm, disposable, instant)
- DVDs (PG-13, PG and G ratings only)
- 2.5–5 lb. wrist weights
- Pedometers

### **Regarding Donations of Wheelchairs, Crutches, Canes, Walkers, etc.**

We are not able to accept donations of durable medical equipment such as wheelchairs or crutches at this time. For your convenience, we've provided a list of some area organizations that may be able to accept them, along with the types of equipment they may accept.

- The Kids Equipment Network [www.TKEN.org](http://www.TKEN.org) – Tim Caruso, 630-965-8176; pediatric equipment
- Joni and Friends – Jeff Piraino, [j.piraino@gmail.com](mailto:j.piraino@gmail.com); pediatric equipment (and some adult) wheelchairs, walkers, standers, bath and toilet equipment
- Wheelchair Help – Joe Lidy, 888-685-2230 or 574-295-2225; manual wheelchairs, metal crutches, folder walkers and canes
- United Cerebral Palsy – [wastenotprogram@yahoo.com](mailto:wastenotprogram@yahoo.com), or call 800-332-9745; power wheelchairs and scooters