



Miracle of Christmas 2022 Gift Basket Suggestions for Sponsors

Thank you so much for providing gifts for a family this Christmas! Please take a few moments to read the following, for some helpful hints in filling your boxes. For a more detailed explanation of our "Dos and Don'ts", please see the reverse side of this page.

Do



- use only the boxes we provide you
- make sure all gifts **fit inside the box** with the lid closed
- leave gifts in original packaging, or with original tags
- *(optional) include folded gift bags, short rolls or flat packages of wrapping paper*
- (optional) use a post-it or tag to label who the gift is for (gender and age)

Don't



- wrap gifts
- include large gifts that don't fit inside the box
- give damaged items
- give used items

LMS Compassion Places recommends the following "rule of thumb" when filling boxes:

Please provide <u>one full outfit of clothing</u> and at least <u>one additional gift item</u> for each person in the family, and <u>then add fillers</u> such as <u>toiletries</u>, <u>hats</u>, <u>gloves</u>, <u>scarves</u>, <u>underwear and socks</u> to complete the box(es). Some gift item ideas are listed below.

Gift ideas for teens and adults:

- Gift cards (\$10-\$25 to Amazon, Target, Walmart, Game Stop, Claire's, Hot Topics, McDonalds, Wendy's, Burger King, etc.)
- Bluetooth speakers or headphones do not need to be expensive versions
- Ravens or Orioles items
- Insulated thermos or mug
- Warm socks, gloves, scarves
- Fleece jackets/pullovers

- Slippers
- Long underwear
- Pajamas
- Underwear, socks
- Personal toiletries (body wash, colognes, after shave, etc...)
- Board games, puzzles, and puzzle books (crossword, word search)
- Sheet sets or blankets

Teen Girls additional ideas:

- Clear lip gloss
- Nail care kit (clear or light color polish)
- Hair accessories

- Journals
- Bath sets

PLEASE MAKE SURE <u>ALL</u> BOXES ARE LABELED ON THE END WITH THE FAMILY #
Filled boxes should be returned to LMS headquarters by Friday, December 2, 2021

More about our "Dos and Don'ts"...

LMS Compassion Place provides the correct number boxes for the Christmas gifts, depending on the size of the family. Please only use the boxes we provide you. We do not have an unlimited source of boxes as they are donated to us and we will provide the number you should need. Boxes may be either small or large, depending on the number of people in the family. It is usually one small box for families of 1-2, and a combination of large and small for larger families. The small boxes measure 12 ½" W x 15 ½" L x 10" H, and the large boxes measure 12 ½" W x 25" L x 10½" H.

All gifts must fit inside the box and the lid must close. Please do not include gifts that are too large to fit inside the box. This ensures confidentiality and that all gifts are received by the designated family.

Please <u>do not wrap any of the gifts</u>, but make sure to use a tag or post-it to label who the gift is for (gender and age). Wrapping the gifts makes it harder to fit everything in the box. You may include gift bags, or a **short** roll or flat package of wrapping paper (as long as it fits in the box).

Compassion Place Centers are always glad to take your used donations, but for the Miracle of Christmas <u>all</u> <u>gifts should be new and in their original wrapping</u>.

Thank you for taking the time to read more about our Miracle of Christmas Ministry!