

# HOW TO PACK YOUR SHOEBOX GIFT



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Get a standard size shoebox to pack for a boy or girl. Need shoeboxes? Preprinted boxes are available online.

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Most importantly, **pray** for the child who will receive your gift. Include a personal note and photo.

Select a quality **"wow"** toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, or stuffed animal.

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A donation of **\$10** is critical to cover shipping and other project costs.



Fill with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies.

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Take your shoebox gift to a local drop-off location during **National Collection Week, the third week in November**. Visit our website to find one near you.

- outfit
- shoes
- musical instrument
- soccer ball with pump
- stuffed animal
- doll

- toy cars
- jump ropes
- yo-yos
- toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)

- socks
- hats
- sunglasses
- hair clips
- jewelry and watches
- flashlights (with extra batteries)

- toothbrushes
- bar soap
- washcloths
- combs

- pens, pencils, and sharpeners
- crayons and markers
- notebooks and paper
- coloring and picture books
- solar calculators

- a message to the child
- a photo of yourself, your family, or group

*If you include your name and an address, the child may be able to write back.*

- hair bows
- finger puppets
- friendship bracelets

*Check out the Operation Christmas Child boards on Pinterest for specific suggestions.*



**Do Not Include:** Candy; toothpaste; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

