On behalf of McMaster Children’s Hospital, we thank you for thinking of us and supporting the programming offered to our patients. Our first priority is patient safety and for that reason we need to be very specific about some items. Below is a list highlighting a variety of items that we are able to accept, in whatever volume you choose. Donations make such a difference, thank you!

HELPFUL GIFTS

- **Play Doh kits** (must be the brand name Play Doh)
- Single Hot Wheels cars (must be the brand name Hot Wheels)
- Non-toxic broad line washable markers in packs of 10 or less
- Non-toxic fine line washable markers in packs of 10 or less
- Regular and jumbo crayons in packs of 24 or less
- Pencil crayons in packs of 24 or less
- Watercolour and **acrylic paint in sets of 12 or less**
- **Blank painting canvases** of various sizes up to 11x14 inches
- Decks of cards
- **Over the ear headphones (not ear buds)**
- Colouring books
- **Mandala/adult colouring books**
- Sketchbooks
- Teen activity books (Sudoku, Crosswords)
- **Board books**
- Children’s picture books
- Teen chapter books (new releases/best sellers)
- **Lego sets**
- Board games
- **Musical and light up toys**
- **Infant rattles**
- Toiletry (Dove, Axe, St. Ives, Sephora), nail polish sets
- **Fisher Price Little People toys and sets**

Note: Items above in bold are things we need the most.

GIFT CARDS

- Denominations of $10, $15, $20, $25
- Suggested companies: Amazon, Chapters/Indigo, Dollarama, Hamilton Health Sciences cafeteria/gift shops, Shopper’s Drug Mart, Walmart

For all toys brand names are preferred. The following brand names we prefer as we know they meet our infection control and safety standards: Fisher Price, Little Tykes, Bright Stars, OBall, VTech, Melissa and Doug, Baby Einstein, Leap Frog, Hape, Skip Hop, Imaginarium, Lego, Playmobil, Hasbro, Mattel, Crayola, and Klutz

Donations in December will be received between the 5th and 15th. Please email to set up a donation drop off time. cookejen@hhsc.ca

If you would prefer, you can make a monetary donation and we will purchase items we need. Please visit www.hamiltonhealth.ca/toys for details.

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**ACCEPTABLE DONATIONS ARE:**
- Any items from our wish list that are brand new, unopened, still have the tag, and come from a smoke free home
- New games for Nintendo Switch or PS4, with ratings not to include “M” for Mature and “A” for adult, as well as games involving guns or war, or later than the 2020 version

**OUR NEEDS ARE ALWAYS CHANGING.**
Before donating items, please ask us if we need:
- Dolls
- Barbies
- Train sets & Hot Wheel sets
- Duplo
- Wooden puzzles
- Floor puzzles
- Imagination/dramatic play toys (ie. play food, house and people sets, animals, dinosaurs, cars and trucks, superheroes, princesses)
- Non-toxic slime kits
- Remote control cars
- Action figures
- Craft kits
- Kinetic sand

**ITEMS WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT:**
- Fabric items such as stuffed animals, blankets, pillows
- Used toys
- Used clothing
- Used magazines or books
- Furniture
- Wagons and tricycles
- Artwork
- TVs, computers, VHS or DVD players, video game systems
- Video games
- School supplies ie. binders, lined paper
- VHS movies
- Large baby items ie. swings, bouncy chairs, strollers and high chairs
- Toys that project pieces ie. imitation weapons, Nerf items, drones
- Knitted or handmade items

Thank you!