



Dear Friends,

With fall in the air, it is time for Hour Children's Center annual gift drive! Each year Hour Children's Center is grateful to all of you in the community who generously donate gifts to our holiday program. This year, we anticipate over 200 mothers at Bedford Hills Correctional will select gifts for about 500 children, as well as providing gifts to correctional facilities across New York State so that many more incarcerated parents can give gifts to their children during the holidays.

Attached is our 2019 Holiday Wish List with suggested gifts, as well as directions to where all donations may be dropped off. All gifts must be cleared by security before entering the maximum-security prison.

Donations can be dropped off as early as October 21st and are especially appreciated because it takes security several weeks to inspect and approve the items - - therefore, the earlier they are dropped off, the better. However, gifts are welcome any time. We also collect gifts throughout the year for the children's Birthday Program.

Please consider donating some of the items on the attached wish list or making a financial contribution. If making a financial contribution, please make the check payable to The Hour Children Parenting Center and mail to: **The Parenting Center, 247 Harris Road, Bedford Hills, NY 10507.** We also provide Target gift cards (\$15.00) for those children who are not able to visit their moms as well as have a list on Amazon (You can find "Hour Children Holiday Wish List" under Account and Lists on the Amazon website).

Your support of our program is essential to its success and deeply appreciated by the children who find the holidays particularly trying without their mothers. You may forward this to any organization or person who might be interested. We are immensely grateful for your help.

If you have any questions, please email us at: hourchildrenbhcc@gmail.com or call Deb Rigano at: 914-241-4050 X4050.

On behalf of the mothers and children we serve, we thank you and wish you a holiday season full of peace and joy!

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The Parenting Center at Bedford Hills Holiday Program Wish List (**NEW** and **UNWRAPPED** Items Only, Please)

Ages 0-2: V-Tech (6-36 months – we need 26 of the same type); Clothing: for Newborns to 4T (**No Blue, Black, Orange, Gray**); Baby Blankets (Toddler Size - **No Solid Colors of Blue, Black, Orange, Gray**); Rattles; Teething Rings (NUBY Brand); Muslin Swaddles; Winter Hats (Newborn – 1 year); Stacking Cups/Rings; Baby Einstein or Fisher Price Toys; Shape Sorters

Ages 3-5: Large Trucks; Baby Alive Dolls; Disney Character Items; Crafts Sets; Baby Dolls; Disney Princess Dolls

Ages 6-10: Legos; K'Nex/Playmobil; Barbie/Bratz/Monster High Dolls; Trucks; Transformers; Action Figures - Captain America, Star Wars, Superman, etc.; Matchbook Tracks and Car Sets; Plastic Knitting and Crocheting Kits; Cranium, Brain Quest; Painting and Art Sets; 3D Glasses and Books; Train Sets; Card Games such as: Skip Bo, Uno, and Monopoly

Ages 11-17: Craft Kits; Sports Balls - Basketball, Soccer, Football; Baseballs, Mitts (**No Bats**); Chess and Checker Games; Friendship Bracelet Kits; How to Knit/Crochet Books; Make-Up Kits Only (**No Mirror or Glass**); Burt's Bees Lip Gloss; Burt's Bees Shower Gel And Body Wash (**No Alcohol in Ingredient List**); Wallets (boys and girls), Burt's Bees Face Wash; Sunglasses (**No Bling**); Headphones/Ear Buds; Watches (**Analog only and No Bling**); Board Games for Ages 10 and Up such as: Apples to Apples, Life, Trivial Pursuit (Adult and Children Versions) etc.; Leather Bracelets; Musical Instruments (**No Recorders**)

ITEMS ALWAYS NEEDED FOR HOUR NURSERY MOMS (New or Gently Used) Strollers; Pack 'N Plays; Baby Swings; Bouncing Chairs; Medela Breast Pumps and Accessories; "Boppy" Pillows, and New Car Seats

Donations can be dropped off at **Bedford Hills Correctional Facility (Monday – Friday, 9:30am – 2:30pm)**. Make a sharp left when you enter the facility – go down the road until the end – the Storehouse loading dock is on the right side. Make sure you tell the person (officer or civilian) accepting the donations that the donations are for **The Parenting Center Holiday Program**.

NONE OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE ALLOWED: Glass, scissors, sharp objects, pencil sharpeners, mirrors, clay, Play-Doh, items that promote violence, teen/adult clothing, electronics, DVDs, no rhinestones on watches or toys, metal or items in tins, wooden toys, soft dolls, or stuffed animals.

All donations are tax deductible

Many of the above items and additional items can be purchased on [Amazon](#) by clicking [FIND A LIST OR REGISTRY](#) and then by typing in [Hour Children Holiday Wish List](#)

We gratefully accept check donations – please make checks out to:
THE HOUR CHILDREN PARENTING CENTER and mail directly to:

THE PARENTING CENTER at BEDFORD HILLS
247 HARRIS ROAD
BEDFORD HILLS, NY 10507

Please call us if you need us to pick up the gifts

Contact Deb Rigano with any questions: M-F (9am-5pm) 914.241.3100 x4050 or Cell: 914.804.6470