

## **Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party** **Nov 11, At the YFC Unadilla Teen Center. opens 6:00**

Through Samaritans Purse shoe boxes filled with gifts are distributed worldwide to underprivileged children.

Purchase items from the list below and bring to the Teen Center by Nov 11 Christmas shoebox packing party

### **Wow” Item**

1-Delight a kid! Start with a medium to large item that will capture the child’s attention the instant he or she opens the box.

**Ideas include:** Soccer ball with pump, Stuffed animal, Toys (puppets, trucks, etc.), Doll (baby, Barbie, etc.), Musical instrument, Outfit, Shoes

**2-Toys:** Include items that children will immediately embrace such as toy cars, yo-yos, jump ropes, balls, toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries), etc.

**3-School Supplies:** pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

**4-Non-liquid Hygiene Items:** toothbrushes, bar soap, combs, washcloths, etc.

**Accessories:** T-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries), etc.

**Crafts:** Make your own items such as hair bows, finger puppets, and friendship bracelets.

### **Age and Gender-Specific Ideas:**

Girls 2-4, Girls 5-9, Girls 10-14,

Boys 2-4, Boys 5-9, Boys 10-14.

**A Personal Note:** You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. If you include your name and address, the child may be able to write back.

**Keep in mind the shoeboxes are 6 inches wide, by 11inches long, by 4 1/4 inches high, make sure items will fit in the boxes.**

**Also keep in mind you give them what they will need to make the item useful, pencils need sharpeners, soccer ball needs a pump .....**

## **Do Not Include**

Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; toothpaste; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

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