

GUIDELINES FOR HOLIDAY GIVING **FOR ADULTS**

Deliver between November 19 and 30

We gladly accept gifts that are:

- New (EXCEPT as noted below)
- Unwrapped
- Appealing to adults

GIFT IDEAS

Each year, we try to give each shelter adult a few special gifts. We set up stations, and they go to each and select the item they would like. It is a very exciting and positive experience for them as well as the volunteers who assist at these stations. As there are about 150 adults staying in our shelter, and we can only give out an item if we have enough for all of them. Gifts **MUST** be new in the package and not giftwrapped. **Please do NOT donate used, damaged or incomplete items.**

TOP REQUESTS FROM SHELTER ADULTS:

If we are able to secure 150 of one or more of each of these items, the holidays will truly be special for our clients! (Remember, new in the package and not giftwrapped)

1. Backpack for adults
2. Hoodie for adults (men and women; especially need larger sizes—XL, 2X, 3X and 4X)
3. Reusable (sports type) water bottle
4. Underpants (men and women; all sizes; any style; in the package)
5. Socks (in the package)
6. Warm winter hats and gloves (especially XXL for men)
7. Belt (black or brown or reversible) for MEN / Purse for WOMEN
8. Gift card to Walmart (\$5 or \$10 value) OR a crisp new \$5 or \$10 bill

OTHER GIFT IDEAS FOR SHELTER MOMS AND DADS:

Each year, we build a “parent shop,” and the shelter children are partnered with a high school student to shop for their moms and dads. This fosters the spirit of giving, gives the parents a few hours off on a Saturday morning, allows students a rewarding opportunity as they navigate the children through selecting, teaching them how to wrap gifts, make cards and often just talk and play together. We need enough gifts to do this and never have enough for MEN, nor extra large sizes! Here is a list of things that traditionally are popular (remember, only NEW, un-giftwrapped items):

- Umbrellas (especially the fold up kind)
- Hat, gloves, scarf sets
- Sweatshirts / sweat suits
- Sweaters
- Bath sets
- Slippers
- Bathrobes
- Shower shoes (“Flip flops”)
- Women’s gift sets (makeup etc.)
- Men’s grooming gift set (i.e., shaving kit etc.)