

2024-2025

SERVICE PROJECTS



THE
POSSIBILITIES
ARE
ENDLESS!

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HOMELESS SHOE BOX PROJECT

59% of Americans are one paycheck away from homelessness.
- Edward Jones, 2019

A report on homelessness across the state of South Carolina shows an 18 percent increase in that population in recent years.

“We’re talking about homeless families, homeless children, homeless veterans, single mothers, we’re not talking about one particular thing. We’re talking about people who are on the streets and we need to put those faces with those names and actually make a difference.” - Aaron Comstock, Uplift Charleston



PROCESS: FEBRUARY 2024-AUGUST 2024

STEP 1

Make contact with your local homeless shelter or agency about needs of homeless population

STEP 2

Collect essential items from list provided and place in shoe box (or plastic shoe box container)

STEP 3

Release press release of your Association's (or affiliate) donations to your local media (television and print). Deliver shoeboxes to local homeless or women's shelter on **August 28, 2024**

STEP 4

Provide pictures to SCAEOP with a brief write-up of how many shoeboxes were donated

SUGGESTED IDEAS

- Pre-wrapped snacks
- Toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo
- Hand sanitizer (no alcohol)
- Band-aids
- Lip balms
- Wipes
- Socks
- Water bottle
- Comb
- Hand warmer
- Towel
- Sanitary Pads



In His Hands *Katey's Story*



NICU CARE

Children heal better when they feel safe, happy and secure, surrounded by the people who love them.

Katey was born with severe neural tube defect called an encephalocele. An ultrasound done at the 20th week of pregnancy revealed that Katey's skull had not fully developed and brain matter was growing in the back of her skull. The prognosis was serious. On December 26, 2006, Katey was delivered via Caesarian and surgery was performed when she was only 24 hours old. Her doctor was unable to fully repair the encephalocele leaving part of the brain stem and other brain matter in the sack. The doctor told the family, "I've done everything I can do; Katey is in God's hands." In spite of the doctor's grim prognosis, Katey survived! The book, *In His Hands*, tells how Katey grew and stayed amazingly healthy while detailing her family's strong faith, good times and love in her first year of life.

Inspired by her story, the second service project will donate blankets to the NICU unit in the name of "Katey Cuddly Comforts" in honor of Katey Tisdale and MUSC Children's Health Most Needed Items Wish List for their pediatric patients and families.

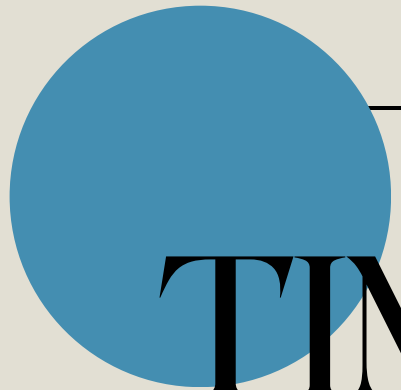
PROJECT: SEPTEMBER 2024-MARCH 2025



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TIMELINE: SEPT 2024-MARCH 2025

Here are a few guidelines that we ask you to follow when donating:

- Our patients range in age from newborn to teens. Please consider all ages when gifting.
- All items must be brand new, unwrapped, and in original packaging. We are unable to accept any type of paper cards, large stuffed animals, scooters, skateboards, any size bicycle, or oversized items.
- Items should be respectful of all religions, cultures and belief systems.
- The MUSC wish lists and registries indicate most needed items at this time.

Option 1: Shop Online & Ship Items

For contactless and virtual donations, two online gift registries are available. We are asking donors to use these options to select and send your gifts. This eliminates in-person shopping and the need to deliver directly to us. The wish list reflects our greatest needs and preferred gifts. The shipping address is on file with the registry. Please allow ample time for delivery.

Amazon:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3RW4J2PR0JG8S/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_2?encoding=UTF8&type=wishlist

If you prefer to ship your donation yourself,

Mail to: Attention- Child Life
MUSC Shawn Jenkins Children's Hospital
10 McClennan Banks Drive
Charleston, SC 29425

Option 2: Drop-Off Donations at MUSC

Please use the wish list and registries as a guide for item selection.

Drive-up donation drop-offs are available at MUSC Shawn Jenkins Children's Hospital on Wednesdays by appointment.

Please email Suzanne Mishler to schedule your drop-off time: mishler@musc.edu

Drop off Location GPS address:

Shawn Jenkins Children's Hospital
10 McClennan Banks Drive
Charleston, SC 29425

Due staffing and infection prevention, all donation drop-offs will take place outside. Someone will meet you at your vehicle at the main entrance portico for your scheduled drop-off.

For general questions, please email Suzanne Mishler at mishler@musc.edu or call 843-985-1612.

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Other Ways to Give:

Monetary donation information, fundraiser information and to learn more about the Shawn Jenkins Children's Hospital, the MUSC Children's Health Fund, at 843-792-6643.

Most Needed Items

Coloring books, Uno cards, Play Doh, Markers, Action Figures, Lego Kits, Board Games, Board Books

Infant/Toddler	Preschool	School Age
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crib Mirrors • Rattles (plastic or vinyl) • Board books • Musical/light up toys • Infant blocks and balls • Toddler cars and trucks • Sound machines • Stacking toys • Shape sorters • Pop-up toys • Sound books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fisher Price toys and figures • Plastic baby dolls • Peg puzzles • Musical instruments • Pretend play food and dishes • Cars/Trucks • Wooden puzzles • Doctor play kits • Duplo block sets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction Toys • Plastic baby dolls/accessories • Magnet Tiles • Building toys • Action figures • Hot Wheels cars • Plastic dinosaurs • Uno • Card games • Lego kits • I Spy books • Classic board games • 25-100 piece puzzles • Barbie dolls/clothes • Play doh kits • Craft kits
Teens	Art Supplies	Sensory Items
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal care gift packs • Paint by Sticker Books • Nail polish/manicure kits • Wireless earbuds/headphones • Craft kits • Teen games • Playing cards • Pajamas • Blankets • Journals (blank) • Adult coloring books • Advanced Lego sets • Sports clothing/hats • Hand-held games • Over-the-door basketball • Remote-control cars • Puzzles 200-500 piece 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crayons - jumbo, regular 16 or 24 packs • Colored pencils • Markers • Coloring books - kids and adult varieties • Drawing pads • Glue/glitter glue (small bottles) • Paint brushes • Stickers • Blank canvas - any size • Model Magic (small packs) • Wooden craft items • Ceramics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stress balls • Slime kits • Kinetic sand • Pop-its • Fidget toys • Light spinners
		Gift Cards
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wal-Mart • Amazon • Target • Michael's • Visa/Mastercard • Apple gift cards • Nintendo E-Shop gift cards • Uber Eats or Door Dash for families

Thank
You!

