

Kiwanis

Carolina's District, Division 13

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Fellow Kiwanians and Friends of Kiwanis,

On April 2nd, our world service day (Kiwanis One Day) is reserved for Kiwanis clubs of all ages, from the K-Kids to the Circle K, to work together on the same project in order to accomplish more than each of our clubs can do individually. This year, Governor Todd Hildebran has asked that clubs participate in the "Spring Basket Project", by donating gift baskets to as many children in Pediatric wards in the hospitals of North and South Carolina. These gift baskets can include all manner of gifts, goodies, toys, books and other items and serve to bring joy to those who have had to deal with the hardships of health at a very early age.

Being located in the Triangle, we have the wonderful chance to help the most in need at both UNC and Duke Children's Hospitals, where there are over 250 inpatient beds for children all across North Carolina, the Nation and the World. We also know that Duke Children's Hospital already has been doing outstanding service for our Kiwanis Children's Hospital in treating rare bone cancer. With the demand so great in this area, it will take all of us contributing to make this a success and provide a basket to each child and countless smiles to their friends and families.

I am asking for help in the form of donations, items and baskets to all be pooled together, along with assembly of items in the baskets and their distribution to the hospitals. Accompanying this letter is a list of appropriate items that can go into the baskets. These items are inexpensive separately, but can easily rack-up cost given the number of baskets needed. For those who want to donate money to have gifts be purchased on their behalf, you can either write a check and send it to the above address, or send money via PayPal and the email address above. All donations are tax

deductable and please give me notice if you would like a receipt for your donation. Also, if you would like to give a large gift to a wing or a shared item for the hospital, please coordinate with me. The deadline for donations is March 30th as we will need the time for basket assembly and organizing them into age/care groups.

So this year, for Kiwanis One Day, we want to include as many members from the community as we do from our Kiwanis Clubs to make this a success! I can't think of another way to "serve one child, and one community at a time"!

Thanks,



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Lt. Governor, Division 13
Kiwanis Club of Chapel Hill-Carrboro

Items good for Spring Basket Goodies

Coloring Books	Crayons	wood projects	Stickers
Colored Pencils	Travel games	chap stick/lip gloss	Hand held games
Action Figures	Doll and clothing	Talking Books	Electronic games
Bubbles	matchbox cars	Music	small plush animals
Music boxes	Play kits	Gift Cards	Playing cards
Lego kits	Pop up toys	Comb	Hair brush
board books	Teen fiction	Uno cards	Nail polish
activity books sound books	"I spy" books	paper/pencils	Puzzles
crossword puzzle books	Word search books	minature pictures	Hair Bows/bands
washable paints	Glue sticks	beanie babies	Safety scissors
construction paper	Beads	disposable camera	writing journals
washable markers	Craft project kits	small toys	baseball hats
objects to paint	Fabric paints	interactive games	Magazines
paint by number	Jewelry making kits	Purses	photo albums
poster board	pipe cleaners	Nerf items	Rubber Stamps / Ink

Things to consider during your purchases

1. The children range from 1-18. What's appropriate for one, likely isn't for the other
2. Most items can be bought at Dollar General or the Dollar Tree
3. Most likely places to get baskets may be the stores mentioned above, or thrift stores
4. Items don't necessarily have to come in baskets, cloth bags can also be used
5. One can buy bigger items: board games, blocks, games can be donated to specific wings
6. Same rule for donating applies, if the items is noticeably used, please do not donate it
7. Non-peanut based candies are ok, but can only be used by a small proportion of patients