



Christmas Stocking Stuffer Project 2024

For many years we have joined with parishioners from other churches to provide stuffed Christmas stockings to the 335 patients of Torrance State Hospital. These patients are persons who require long-term in-hospital care for behavioral health disorders (mental illness). For many patients, this is the only gift they receive and is the highlight of their holiday season. The staff and patients greatly appreciate your efforts in making their Christmas a happy and memorable moment.

This year we have been asked to provide stuffed stockings for 15 men. To ensure that one patient does not receive substantially more than the patient sitting beside him, ***all participating churches have been given guidelines regarding the minimum number and types of items to be included in each stocking***. Please select from the required items or additional suggested donation items lists below for your donations. A box for your donations will be in the Parish Hall. ***Please make your donations on or before Sunday, November 24, 2024.***

Gift Items for One Stocking

- (1) pair of ankle OR crew socks—any color (No High TUBE socks due to strangulation issues)
- (1) bottle of shampoo OR stick deodorant OR bottle of body wash
- (1) activity, word search, or cross word book, OR coloring book (no staples) OR playing cards
- (1) bag of chips OR (1) pack of crackers OR (1) pack of cookies OR (1) snack cake
- (1) big candy bar OR small handful of mini candy bars OR (1) box of individual powdered drink mix packets

Additional Suggested Donation Items

M & M's—small bags
Chap Stick
Body wash
Deodorant (*No cans*)
Lotion (*No pumps*)
Card games, such as Uno, Skip-bo,
Phase 10 or even card games
for children

Small bags of chips, cheese curls or Doritos
Crayons
Paperback books (*No romances*)
Blank Greeting Cards
Non-refrigerated pudding cups, apple sauce
or fruit cups
Individually wrapped peppermint puffs
Sudoku books

In order to protect the residents, please do not donate glass or breakable items, aerosol cans, alcohol-based products, sharp objects, or notebooks with wire bindings. No batteries. No items with staples. Due to choking and swallowing issues, no nuts, hard candy or gum.

Thank you for your generosity.
Louise Mead