

2018 GIFT GIVING GUIDE



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THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE KIDS WE SERVE

The Tree of Hope has been helping kids and families for more than 100 years. Every December 25th we deliver toys, food, clothing and more to the kids served by our Children's Aid Society. Thanks for thinking about buying a gift for the Tree of Hope. Follow the instructions below or contact us for more information.

CHOOSE

- Ask for a specific child or children to give to. We can give you a first name, age, gender and their "wish list". Groups of children are also available with advance notice. Use the information to purchase a gift.
- Buy a generic gift. We often need "off the shelf" gift bags for some of the kids we serve, especially for last minute referrals. Pick an age from birth to 18 years old and buy an appropriate gift.
- Offer to help with a special item. We often get special requests for items large and small, from appliances to baby furniture. If you can help buy what we need, let us know.

BUY

Use age to buy gifts. Most toys, books and games list an age appropriate standard.

- Consider gift cards. Remember that many of the things kids want and need can't be purchased in advance, such as items that are online or clothing where sizing isn't known. A generic gift card will empower families to get the exact gift they need. This is especially important for teenagers.
- Think beyond toys. The kids we serve often need more than just toys. Consider personal care items like tooth brushes or things that will enhance their creativity or literacy such as books and art supplies.
- Help their family. A family activity is a great way to engage the child and their parents/guardians.

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PACKAGE

- **DO NOT wrap the gifts.** That's because we need to check, itemize and catalogue all gifts received before they are delivered to the recipient.
- **Use a gift bag or take one of ours.** We can provide a large, red craft bag at our Kingston Distribution Centre.
- **Do not give food or other perishable items.** We do not have refrigeration or storage for food items. Instead, consider giving food gift cards.
- Remember to include batteries with electronic toys.

PREPARE

- **Fill out a donation form BEFORE you come.** Download one of our gift forms from our website and fill it in before you deliver your gifts. We will provide charitable tax receipts to individuals in February 2019 for gifts worth more than \$20.00. Attach purchase receipts for accuracy.

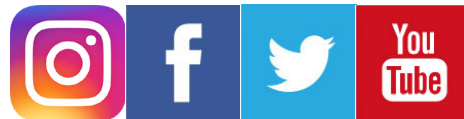
DELIVER

- We will start accepting deliveries of the gifts and donations at our Distribution Centres from Nov 14 to December 15.

AFTERWARDS

- Help spread the word. Take a selfie or write a blurb and then post in on your social media.

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TREE OF HOPE DISTRIBUTION CENTRES

KINGSTON DISTRIBUTION CENTRE & CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS
 817 Division Street.
 Hours: Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:00AM to 2:00PM or by appointment.

NAPANEE DISTRIBUTION CENTRE
 99 Advance Avenue.
 Hours: Tuesdays from 10:00AM to NOON and Thursdays from 1:00PM to 3:00PM or by appointment.

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