



THE CHRISTMAS STORE NEEDS YOUR HELP

Since 1991, City Gospel Mission has coordinated the efforts of churches, organizations, and individuals throughout Greater Cincinnati to create a store where low-income parents can buy Christmas gifts for their children at a price they can afford.

Our church partners distribute registration forms to parents they know need help. Parents are assigned a set shopping time. They pay a low, per child fee to shop, then can select one new toy item (\$15 to \$40 value) and one new clothing item (\$20 to \$50 value) for each child, and wrap their gifts there. We anticipate 300 parents to shop for almost 1000 children this year.

The date for **The Christmas Store 2015** is **December 9-12**. The store will be located at 801B W. 8th St, Cincinnati, OH 45203.

We need donations of new toys (\$15-\$40 value), new upper-body clothing (\$20-\$50 value), and cash (to purchase gifts and supplies that are not donated). Donations should be dropped off at City Gospel Mission, 1211 York Street, Cincinnati, OH 45214, by **Dec. 7, 2015**.

We need volunteers willing to: transport & sort donations, stock shelves, decorate the store, wrap presents, bake cookies, escort shoppers, stock display tables, greet shoppers, & more.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Angela Allen
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Thank you!

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THE CHRISTMAS STORE SHOPPING GUIDE

(All items must be NEW)

Gift Ideas for 9 – 18 YEAR OLDS (\$15-\$40 value)

| | |
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| Handheld Video-type Games | Watches or Alarm Clocks |
| MP3 Players | MP3 Speakers |
| Earbuds/Earphones | Boom Boxes |
| Cologne or Perfume | Gift Sets |
| Remote Control Cars | Jewelry or Purses |
| Sports Stuff: basketballs, footballs, etc. | Makeup or Hair Care Kits |
| Baseball Caps | Board Games |
| Messenger Bags | DVD's |

Gift Ideas for 6 – 8 YEAR OLDS (\$15-\$40 value)

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| Toss & Catch Games | Dolls (African-American or Latino dolls would be great) |
| Board Games | Jewelry/Art/Craft Creation Sets |
| Legos/Building Sets | Educational Toys |
| Action Figures | |

Gift Ideas for INFANT – 5 YEAR OLDS (\$15-\$40 value)

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| Developmental Toys | Dolls (African-American or Latino dolls would be great) |
| Educational Toys | Stuffed Animals (NEW) |
| "Matchbox" Cars | Princess Costumes |
| Super Hero Costumes | |

Clothing Considerations for ALL AGE GROUPS (\$20-\$50 value)

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| Coats | Hoodies | Pro-Sports Hooded Sweatshirts |
| Fashion Sweaters & Dress Shirts | Top & Pant Outfits for toddlers | |

Wrapping Supplies

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| Scotch Tape | Wrapping Paper | Gift Boxes |
| Name Tags | Tissue Paper | Ribbon |

The children's parents will be shopping for the items, so wrapping your donation is not necessary. Please label your donations with the age & gender of child for whom those items would be appropriate.

CLOTHING SIZE BY AGE GROUP -- We need more of the LARGER sizes

| Infants to 24 months | 2-5 year olds | 6-8 year olds | 9-12 year olds | 13-18 year olds |
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| 0-24 months 2T-3T | 4T-5T, 4-5, 6-6X, 6X-7 | 7-8, 9-10 10-12 | 12-14, 14-16, 16-18, 18-20 S m , M d , L g | Teen Sm, Md, Lg, XL XXL, 3X, 4X |

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