IMPORTANT REMINDERS

1. Use the provided gift box or any shoebox-sized container (approximately 12" long x 6" wide x 4" tall).
2. If possible, remove items from original packaging to limit waste in the receiving countries.
3. **Please do not put monetary donations in the gift boxes.** Go online to **boxofjoy.org** to make your $9 donation for each gift box **or scan the QR code to pay.**
4. If needed, secure the lid to your gift box with a single rubber band (please do not tape the gift box).

GIFT IDEAS

PERSONAL NOTES & PHOTOS

Children who receive Box of Joy gifts love it when you enclose a personal note or a handmade Christmas card and share a photo of yourself or your family. (It is advisable for parents or teachers to review notes written by children.)

TOYS

Ball (deflated) with pump*
Balloons
Binoculars
Cars or trucks
Craft kit (beads, elastic, etc.)
Doll*
Finger puppets
Handheld toys
Harmonica, kazoo or other small instrument
Jump rope
Lego building blocks
Mini board games
Mini puzzle
Small balls (tennis, etc.)
Small plush animals*
Slinky
Unopened fast-food toys
Yo-yo

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Coloring book*
Crayons*
Erasers
Flash cards
Glue stick (no liquid)
Notepads
Pencil case
Pencil sharpener
Pencils, colored pencils
Pens, markers
Safety scissors
Small board books
Solar calculator
Stickers

CANDY & GUM

Unexpired candy that will not melt, sealed in a zip closure style bag

APPAREL

Bandanas
Dresses*
Flip-flops
Hats
Plastic poncho
Socks
Shorts
T-shirts*
Underwear

NECESSITIES/HOME

Bandages
Comb or brush
Cup or bottle with lid*
Hand wipes
Lip balm
Manicure kit
Nail clippers or emery board
Toothbrush*

ACCESSORIES

Barrettes
Bracelets
Earrings
Hair bands or headbands*
Hair ribbons*
Necklace*
Purse or wallet*
Scarf
Sunglasses*
Watch

USEFUL ITEMS

Cross or rosary
Compass
Drawstring bag*
Sewing kit
Utensils

**Highly desired items.*

PLEASE DO NOT PACK

Liquids/gels (shampoo, body wash, lotion, nail polish, hand sanitizer, bubbles, paint, glue, etc.)
Food or beverages • Chocolate or JOLLY RANCHER® • Medicine or vitamins • Anything with a battery
Knives, tools or toy weapons • Glass or breakable objects • Cash, checks or gift cards

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