



## **Maryville Crisis Nursery Gifts of Hope**

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

Thank you for participating in Gifts of Hope! We realize this type commitment can leave you with a lot of questions. If you need more specific information, please contact us. We'd be very happy help out in any way.

#### **What do you expect me to provide?**

We ask that our sponsor families provide a minimum of one practical item and one "fun" item per person in the household. This loosely translates to one item of clothing or an outfit and a toy. (Toys for younger children, older kids usually request video games, and other electronics—just like all teenagers)

#### **Is there a set amount of money I should budget for?**

Depending on the age of a child, an outfit and a toy can usually be purchased for less than \$25 per person. We recommend shopping the discount stores (Target, Walmart and Meijer) to get the most for your money. Budgeting for a family depends on the size of the family and the age of the children. You will likely be given a list of their requests (wish list); this is intended to give you suggestions. **You are not expected to purchase everything on the list.**

#### **Is there a deadline?**

December 16, 2022. We welcome you to drop off the gifts at the Maryville Crisis Nursery (6650 W. Irving Park Rd.) between the hours of 8am-5pm. If you are unable to drop off during this time we ask that you call Tina Hock at 847-294-1982 to arrange an alternate time. When you arrive, please pull up and call the Crisis Nursery and a staff member will come out to assist you. We are limiting people coming into the building for health and safety precautions.

#### **Do I wrap the gifts, and give gift receipts?**

Please do not wrap the items. We want to make sure that the parent is able to see the items and if you can share wrapping paper and tape for the parent to do that would be great!

#### **What if their requests are too expensive?**

Like our own kids, their requests are sometimes beyond what we were planning to spend. Use your best judgment and substitute with a fairly comparable gift. If you need suggestions, contact us. Otherwise, gift cards are always welcomed.

#### **What if their clothing sizes are hard to find?**

Contact us, we can help.

Questions? Please contact Tina Restivo at 847-294-1982 or at [restivot@maryvilleacademy.org](mailto:restivot@maryvilleacademy.org).