



# In-Kind Donations Needs List

Your donations are given free to the homeless families and individuals in our programs.

Feel free to contact us at 650-685-5880 ext. 114 or at [donating@shelternetwork.org](mailto:donating@shelternetwork.org) if you have any questions.

Visit our website at [www.shelternetwork.org](http://www.shelternetwork.org) for more info.

*Shelter Network is committed to providing housing and support services that create opportunities for homeless families and individuals to re-establish self-sufficiency and to return to permanent homes of their own.*

*Thank you for your support!*

**Shelter Network**

## ITEMS WE NEED

### Children's Supplies

- disposable diapers, wipes, baby formula
- school supplies, arts & crafts supplies
- educational toys that are like-new

### Kitchen Items

- can-openers, pots, pans
- paper plates, bowls, cups
- plastic and silver utensils
- paper towels, napkins
- aluminum foil, plastic wrap
- toasters, coffee makers, microwaves

### All Toiletries and Feminine Hygiene Products

### Cleaning Supplies

### Office Supplies

- copy paper (white and colored), file folders
- envelopes, labels, binder tab dividers
- writing pads, scotch tape & dispensers

### Clothing – must be clean and folded

(We simply don't have the resources, volunteers, or staff available to accept items if they aren't ready to use.)

- **MOST NEEDED:** sweaters, coats, large-size
- business-attire for men and women
- children's clothing if it is like-new
- **NEW** underwear and socks

### Household Items

- sheets, pillows, blankets
- towels and washcloths
- trash cans and liners
- lamps, TVs, alarm clocks (working only)
- flashlights, batteries
- extension cords, tool kits

### Gift Certificates

to grocery stores, department stores, shoe stores, pharmacies, gas stations

## ITEMS WE CANNOT ACCEPT

Our free services are possible because of the community's generous in-kind donations and financial support. Because we have limited storage space, and in order to minimize disposal costs and overhead, we can only accept items our residents can use immediately in the shelter or in their small apartments once they move out. Regrettably, we cannot accept:

Dirty/stained, torn, broken items  
Expired Carseats, Cribs, Strollers  
Desktop computers (over 3 yrs old)

Any item in need of repair  
Knick-knacks  
Carpeting

Candles  
Wine glasses or any alcohol-related items

We can only accept **furniture donations if they can be immediately used in our facilities**. Please contact us at [donating@shelternetwork.org](mailto:donating@shelternetwork.org) or **650-685-5880 ext. 114** to discuss if your donations would be of use to our program right now. We do pick-ups of furniture items from locations in San Mateo County about once a month. Thank you for understanding our limited resources and storage space. We have partnerships with other organizations that specialize in receiving certain donations, storage, and distribution to people in need, including:

**Furniture donations** if they won't work for us at this time: St. Vincent de Paul (650-871-6844/650-347-5101, 40 North "B" St, San Mateo), The Salvation Army (800-728-7825), Goodwill (888-446-6394), Ecumenical Hunger Program (650-323-7781)  
**Baby Items:** Project Warm Hug (650-468-3065). **Large quantities of clothing or household items:** Parca (650-312-0725)