



2021 Holiday Store Program

Operation Breakthrough is an early childhood education center and also provides before and after school and summer programs for over 700 children daily now. Our average family is living on less than \$1,000 per month leaving little left for Christmas gifts. Our early education program is for children from 6 wks. to 5 and when they are ready for Kindergarten, they come to our before and after school and summer programs.

The center provides emergency services, food, clothing, diapers, on-site medical and dental care as well as occupational, speech and play therapy. The center also provides programs and case management for parents and caregivers.

Since the early '90's, the staff at Operation Breakthrough, with much support from the community, has provided Christmas gifts and holiday meals to those in need. In 2020, the center helped more than 1,000 families total bringing Christmas to over 3,400 children.

You can help this Christmas by donating new toys. In addition to the adoption program we also need toys for children who don't attend OB but still live in the same urban community. Pre-registered parents come and pick out gifts for each of their children with a volunteer. This year we will be helping over 800 kids with this program. Here are examples of some of types of items that we could use for these additional children.

| ITEMS FOR ALL AGES | All things princess | Karaoke Machine | Cosmetics |
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| Musical toys | Books | Board games | Remote Control Car |
| Baby dolls | Wooden/Duplo-type blocks | Play pretend clothes | Decorate pillows or throws |
| Doll Stroller | STEM kits | Sleeping bag/Kid's Tent | Sports team shirts/hats |
| Blocks | Doll clothes/accessories | Cars and trucks | Speakers or headphones |
| Toy people and animals | Barbie doll and accessories | Art supplies or Craft Kits | Water bottles / tumblers |
| Toy dishes | Action figures | Books | Outdoor games |
| Puzzles (Peg or Knob) | Sports balls | Legos and Lego Sets | LED lights / ring lights |
| Shape sorter | Craft kits | Educational toys | Slide sandals |
| Riding toy | Play dishes/food | Jewelry | Hoodie sweat shirts |
| Rattles / Teething Rings | Play jewelry | Backpack or Sports bag | Gift Certificates Needed: |
| Educational toys | Fishing rod | Diary or journal | Target |
| Cars and trucks | Board games | Bath and body items | Walmart Dick's or Footlocker |
| Toy Telephone | Playdough | Hair accessories | DION 3 OF FOOTBOOKER |
| Slime | LOL / OMG dolls | Manicure / Pedicure Kits | Gifts are due the week |
| Art supplies | 101, 00 100 | | of December 6, 2021. |

If you are interested in helping with toys for our Holiday Store, please let us know with an email to: holiday@operationbreakthrough.org

Thanks so much for bringing joy to these wonderful children and making their holiday's bright!

