

DONATION GUIDELINES

Thank you for donating items to Middleton Outreach Ministry! In order to help us most efficiently serve our clients and get your quality donated items into the hands of those who need them, we ask you to follow these guidelines. All donations should be brought to the Distribution Center. See back for all locations, times, and directions. Tax receipts will be issued upon donation.

Are you donating *Toys*?

- * We take NEW children's books and coloring books, washable crayons and cookbooks to use in our Distribution Center Waiting room. *Otherwise, we do not take donations of toys. At Christmastime, new toys should be taken to a Toys-for-Tots bin, several of which are located in the Middleton area. These toys will reach families, even in our area, that are most in need. GENTLY used toys can be given to Goodwill or St. Vincent de Paul, where low-income families can purchase them for their families at a reasonable price.*

Are you donating *Furniture*?

- * We no longer are accepting furniture. Please contact St. Vincent de Paul, where many of our clients are able to receive free or discounted furniture. Thank you!

Are you donating *Food*?

- * We accept all food (perishable and non-perishable), household cleaners and detergents, diapers, paper products and personal hygiene products. *Please, no open containers, glass containers or expired food.*

Are you donating *Clothing*?

- * We appreciate clothing donations that are new or gently-used, clean, stain-free and seasonal. We accept all ages and sizes. *While it is possible for us to store some non-seasonal clothing, we have limited space for such items and may give them to other area non-profits if storage is unavailable. Also, we are not able to wash or fix any items.*

Are you donating *Household Items*?

- * We appreciate donations of items that would be essential for a person who is moving into a new apartment (such as pots and pans; dishes, tableware, and glasses in minimum sets of four; linens such as towels, sheets with size labeled, blankets, pillows, and shower curtains that are new or gently-used, clean, and stain-free; cooking preparation items such as spatulas, whisks, mixing bowls, etc.)
- * *Because our clients are looking mostly for apartment set-up items, we cannot use items such as curtains, blinds, odd/gourmet cooking items, serving-ware, decorative items/art, etc. We also do not accept any electrical items (such as toasters, microwaves, TVs, etc.)*

**If you have other items not listed or have any questions about your donation, please contact the MOM office (836-7338), or the MOM Distribution Center (826-3417).
We greatly appreciate your willingness to help us serve our clients better!**

If you would like additional information or have questions about our services and programs, please feel free to call us at our Hubbard Ave office. When a product donation we receive is potentially of a high dollar value, we reserve the right to sell the item and use the funds to benefit our client services.

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