INOVA
Children's Hospital

Christmas in July

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the Inova Children's Hospital 'Christmas in July' Toy Drive Kit!

I am so grateful for your inquiry into our program! We appreciate your interest in hosting a toy drive for the children we provide award-winning care to.

For your convenience, this kit includes tips to make your toy drive a success, a wish list to help guide your participants and a toy drive flyer to help spread the word. For safety reasons we ask that you be sure all donated items are new and unwrapped.

If anyone would like to make a financial donation, please make checks payable to Inova Health Systems Foundation and list Inova Children's Hospital in the memo line OR visit www.inovachildrens.org/give and make a donation online. These donations fund our Child Life Program which provides supportive programming, entertainment and education for the children while they are with us.

Once you've gathered all of your donations, please contact us to coordinate your delivery at ichdonations@inova.org or call 703.776.7149.

Helpful hints for a successful toy drive:

Location! Location! Location! Make sure your toy drop off box is in a high foot-traffic area, such as main office or lobby entrance.
Spread the word! tell everyone you know, every way you can! Some examples on how to get the word out are newsletters, social media announcements and office e-mail. Attached in the Toy Drive Kit is a toy drive flyer template for your use.

Don't forget to have fun! Have a Kick-off party to encourage participation in the toy drive or an End of Toy Drive party to celebrate all the toys collected.

Please feel free to contact me for any additional information and once again, thank you for hosting a 'Christmas in July' toy drive for Inova Children's Hospital and I wish you success!

Sincerely,
Taylor Tomczyk

Community Relations Coordinator
Inova Children's Hospital

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IN-KIND GIFT POLICY

Your gifts of new toys and other new gifts go a long way toward brightening a hospital stay for our patients and families. Due to issues regarding patient confidentiality, infection control, and security please note the following donation guidelines:

- All items need to be new and clean.
- We cannot accept violent toys or violent video games (i.e. guns, weapons, military, etc.)
- We cannot accept religious items (i.e. bibles, crosses, etc.)
- Fire regulations forbid electrical, spark-producing, or friction producing toys.
- Toys should not have parts that can pinch fingers and toes and catch hair.
- Any glue or paint in craft kits must be non-toxic.
- No toys should be made with glass or brittle plastic.
- Please inquire before making any food donations.
- Please refrain from sending signs, artwork, etc.
- Please refrain from sending cards, notes and letters.
- Please do not wrap gifts. Safety regulations require even labeled gifts to be checked for gift appropriateness.

Thank you for your support for Inova Children's Hospital!

Christmas In July Wish List

Gifts for Teens

Barbies/Dolls

Play food and Kitchen toys

Latex-Free Character Band-Aids

Art Supplies

Board/Card games

Role Playing Games

Lego sets

Action Figures

Play-doh

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