



SOS Community Services

People Lending a Helping Hand

*Housing Crisis Services
Homeless Family Services
Homeless Children's Services*

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Thanks for your generosity! The items listed below are those we most use and need in our day-to-day operations. We especially need **ITEMS IN BOLD**.

Questions? **Please call Brenda at 734.484.9905 or e-mail**

brendab@soscs.org.

When you drop off your donation, please be prepared to fill out our donor form, which requires you to estimate the current market value of your donation.

Housing Crisis Services Wish List

Please Give New, Unopened Items

Please call first! Drop-Off Site: SOS Crisis Center, 114 N. River St., Ypsilanti; 734-484-4300

Drop-Off Hours: 9 AM-4 PM, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, or 9 AM-7 PM, Wednesday

Family/Personal Care Needs

Shampoo & Conditioner
Soap & Deodorant
Large Diapers & Pull Ups
African-American hair products
Toilet paper
Feminine hygiene products

Infant Care Items (wipes, blankets, bottles)
Toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss
Facial tissue
Other sizes of diapers
New combs/brushes

Underwear and socks for potty-training
New books/toys for kid's b-days
Razors/Shaving Cream
Winter hats and gloves
Lotion
Bus Passes and Tokens

Non-Perishable Foods—all food donations must be in sealed containers; please, we prefer no glass containers

Cash Contributions* (to buy discounted surplus food from Food Gatherers)[†]
Grocery/Discount Store
Gift Cards/Certificates from stores close to bus lines (\$10 denominations for purchase of fresh food, hygiene and household items)
Canned Tuna, Salmon (to meet protein needs)
Tuna Companions (mayo, cream of mushroom soup, tuna helper, etc.)
Cereal (dry and hot)

Any non-perishable, nutritious foods
Rice, Pasta, Noodles, other grains/grain products
Beans—dry, canned or bottled
Peanut Butter, other nuts, nut products
Peanut Butter companions (crackers, jelly, etc.)
Canned & bottled pasta sauces/tomato sauces
Canned & bottled vegetables
Canned, bottled & dried fruits
Canned, bottled & boxed soups
100% juice—boxed, canned & bottled
Canned pasta products

Macaroni and cheese
Crackers & healthier snacks
Other healthier prepared foods
Infant formula & Baby food

Food-Related Donations

New Quart & Gallon-size Ziploc bags
Plastic/Paper Grocery Bags for packing food (used ok—but clean & good condition, please)
Children's games and toys for waiting area

Other Family Needs

DTE Energy Gift Certificates
Motel/Hotel Gift Certificates for emergency one-night stays
Gas Station Gift Certificates in \$10 denominations for emergency transportation assistance to shelter

Taxi Gift Certificates in \$5 denominations for emergency transportation assistance to shelter
Sleeping bags, flashlights/batteries, can openers

Homeless Family Services Wish List

Please Give New Items, or Items that are Gently Used/in Excellent Condition

Gently Used = clean; no stains, odors, or structural damage

Please call first! Drop-Off Site: SOS Prospect Place Family Shelter, 17 N. Prospect, Ypsilanti; 734-484-9905

Drop-Off Hours: 9 AM-5 PM, Monday-Friday

New/Used Stackable Washer/Dryer
Trash Cans and Trash Bags (new only please)
Gift Cards to Meijer/Target and other Stores
Bedroom supplies: sheets, blankets, sleeping bags/comforters
Kitchen supplies: Dishes, glasses, eating and cooking utensils, pots, pans, can openers, napkins, etc.
Bath supplies: Towel sets, shower curtains/rings, shower caddies, toilet paper, family size personal care items

Vacuum Cleaners
Furniture: kitchen tables/chairs, sofas, bed frames, mattresses, dressers, lamps, desks, etc. (**Clean and in good condition; please call first**)
Household cleaning/laundry supplies: cleaners, detergents, cleaning cloths/paper towels, gloves, sponges, whiteners, fabric softeners, toilet brushes, etc.
Flashlights and Batteries (new only please)

* We appreciate all contributions—cash and in-kind—to our Emergency Food Pantry. Cash contributions are particularly welcome because they enable us to purchase discounted food from Food Gatherers at rates far below those offered in the retail market. Your dollar goes further when we order from Food Gatherers. Questions about making a cash contribution? Please call Nancy, at 734.961.1204 or e-mail nancys@soscs.org.

Homeless Children's Services Wish List

Please Give New Items, or Items that are Gently Used/in Excellent Condition

Gently Used = clean; no stains, odors, or structural damage

Items in the left-hand column **MUST** be new.

Please call first! Drop-Off Site: SOS Prospect Place Family Shelter, 17 N. Prospect, Ypsilanti; 734-484-9905

Drop-Off Hours: 9 AM-5 PM, Monday-Friday

New Only

Disposable Diapers (especially large sizes)

Small Cans of Prepared Pasta and Soup

(for kids' lunches)

100% Juice

Diaper Wipes and Lysol Wipes

Lunch Boxes for kids lunches

Hand Lotion

Children's socks, especially pre-school age

Boys & Girls' undershirts, underpants, socks (sizes 3T-5T)

Pants and Jeans (sizes 3T – 6)

Sweatshirts and shirts (sizes 3T – 6)

Small towels, dish clothes and wash clothes

Kid-sized paper plates, bowls, cups and plastic ware

Elementary-level academic workbooks (phonics, math, etc.)

Digital Ear Thermometer with plastic covers

Blank journals

New books and toys for kid's b-days

New car seats

School supplies

New Or Gently Used—clean, please Backpacks

Kids' paints, arts and crafts supplies

Plastic storage tubs, all sizes

Snow pants (sizes 12 months – 6 years) and mittens

Children Music CDs (Greg and Steve/ Ella Jenkins / Sesame Street / Hap Palmer)

Children's Games (computer and other)

Outside items for children – basketballs, soccer balls, cones, plastic bats and Wiffle balls, etc.

Teen Games (Cranium, Apples to Apples and other "thinking" games)

SOS Office Operations Wish List

New or Gently Used Items Accepted

Please call first! Drop-Off Site: SOS Administrative Offices, 101 S. Huron St., Ypsilanti; 734-485-8730

Drop-Off Hours: 9 AM – 5 PM, Monday-Friday

New or Gently Used

Letter-size file storage boxes

Green file folders

Certificate frames (8 ½" x 11")

Stackable Plastic Storage Tubs

Mailroom inbox system/organizer (wood or steel)

Magazine Rack for waiting area

DVD player for staff training

New Only, please

Postage

Bathroom and office cleaning supplies

Trash bags

Batteries (AA, AAA, 9V and D)

Paper Cutter

Re-writable CDs

Printer and Copier Toner Cartridges (please call re: compatibility)

Copier and Printer Paper, Colored Paper, Card Stock, note pads

Pens, Highlighters, Pencils, Dry-Erase Markers

**ALL QUESTIONS REGARDING THE DONATION OF IN-KIND ITEMS TO
SOS COMMUNITY SERVICES MAY BE DIRECTED TO
BRENDA BAYLIS AT 734.484.9905 OR BRENDA@SOSCS.ORG.**

Our Mission: SOS Community Services responds with care and respect to families in need by working in partnerships that result in economic, family, and residential stability.

SOS provides comprehensive services for homeless families and children and for families and individuals facing housing-related crisis in Washtenaw County. To make a tax-deductible contribution using cash or check please contact Nancy Shore, SOS Community Relations Coordinator, at 734-961-1204 or nancys@soscs.org.