



**Shriners Hospitals for Children®**  
Cincinnati  
**Love to the rescue®**

# Ways to Help

Supporting Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati



## Helping Children. Protecting Childhood.

### Your gift makes a difference.

Every day at Shriners Hospitals for Children® – Cincinnati we are helping children and protecting their childhood. Expert physicians, surgeons, therapists and other medical staff help children live the fullest lives possible. Our innovative research and outstanding teaching programs help us carry our mission even further. Our dedication helps expand the worldwide body of medical knowledge and improve the quality of life for people around the world.

The Cincinnati Shriners Hospital treats children with pediatric burns as well as many non-burn conditions. All care and services are provided in a family-centered environment, regardless of the patient or families' ability to pay.

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati relies on the generosity of donors to continue improving the lives of children.

### There are many ways to support our mission:

- ♥ Unrestricted cash donations
- ♥ A gift in honor or in memory of a loved one
- ♥ A charitable bequest in your will
- ♥ Gifts of appreciated assets or real estate
- ♥ Other planned giving opportunities such as Charitable Gift Annuities or Charitable Remainder Trusts
- ♥ Adopting a room in our Family Care Unit
- ♥ Text the word **LOVE** to **80100** to make a \$25.00 donation

For more information, call the development office at **513-872-6029**.

If you know of a child we can help, email [helpachild@shrinenet.org](mailto:helpachild@shrinenet.org) or call:

**Burn Services** at **866-947-7840**

**Non-Burn Services** at **855-206-2096**

*Thank you for your support of  
Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati.*

## Ways to Serve

If an individual or group would like to become involved in a service project, here are some suggestions:

### Donate Snacks

The kids really enjoy pre-packaged, store bought snacks like Goldfish, Oreos, chips, pretzels and mini candy bars. Please, no peanuts or peanut butter.

### Collect Pop Tabs

Pop tabs are taken to a local recycling plant. The money generated is used to buy needed items for our patients.

### Volunteer

For more information about current volunteer opportunities, please contact Victoria Keehnen at: [vkeehnen@shrinenet.org](mailto:vkeehnen@shrinenet.org) or 513-872-6137.

## Cash Donations

Your unrestricted cash donations have the greatest impact on every child we treat.

Please make checks payable to:

Shriners Hospitals for Children – Cincinnati  
Attn: Don Gorbandt  
3229 Burnet Ave.  
Cincinnati, OH 45229

## Corporate Giving and Fundraisers

Facilitating a corporate gift, matching gift, workplace giving program, or special event fundraiser will lend valuable support to our hospital.

For more information about how your donation can make a difference, please contact:

Don Gorbandt  
[dgorbandt@shrinenet.org](mailto:dgorbandt@shrinenet.org)  
513-872-6029

## Ways to Help *(cont'd)*

For an individual or group wishing to purchase specific items, we are most in need of the following:

### Teens

- Travel size board games: Sorry, Trouble, Clue, Monopoly, Yahtzee, Battleship, Connect Four
- Diaries, stationery (for 15-18 year olds)
- Word search, crossword puzzle books, Sudoku books, sports books, posters (especially for boys)
- Movies and books
- Pop & country music CD's
- Magazines
- Hand-held electronic games, battery-operated games and games for Nintendo DS, PS3, Gameboy Advance, and Wii (all rated for everyone or teen)
- Nerf balls
- MP3 players – any brand
- Small calendars
- Wristwatches
- Keychains
- Disposable cameras
- Baseball caps & t-shirts with professional/college logos (adult sizes L, XL, XXL)
- Model car sets
- Acrylic paint-by-number
- Playing cards
- Card games: Uno, Skip-bo



### Infants

- Rattles
- Teethers
- Cardboard books
- Small Fisher Price infant toys – birth to age 2 (nothing that is liquid filled)
- Small musical toys
- Small receiving blankets

### We Cannot Accept

- Stuffed animals
- Hospital gowns
- Knitted slippers
- Infant bibs
- Pre-op dolls
- Afghans
- Coloring books
- Matchbox cars and trucks
- Wagons
- Used toys
- VHS tapes
- Dolls
- Beanie Babies
- Books for pre-schoolers
- Playdough
- Candyland
- Chutes and Ladders
- Magic doodlers
- Fidget spinners

**Due to strict infection control precautions, we can only accept NEW gifts.**

#### **Please keep in mind:**

- 70% of our patients are boys
- 50% of our patients are teenagers ages 11-18

### Helpful Information

Small toys and games that can be used in a wheelchair or bed are preferred for our patients who have limited physical mobility. Due to airline luggage restrictions, avoid large items. Games and books that depict violence and toy weapons or adult themes and language are not accepted. Sharp, glass or breakable items are not accepted.

**Patient privacy regulations (HIPAA) prevent us from allowing donors to personally distribute toys to the children.**

*Thank you for your understanding.*



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