

Host a Donation Drive

Donation Drive Overview

Sarah's Circle appreciates donations of items that can be distributed to our clients. Many donations received are used quickly and need to be replenished often. At certain times of the year there is a higher demand for specific items. If your group would like to host a donation drive on behalf of Sarah's Circle, it is important to let us know so we can coordinate the donations being collected.

Donations of essential items help us address client's immediate needs by providing necessary resources. Sarah's Circle prefers to accept donations Monday though Friday from 9:30 am – 4:30 pm. **Please review all material prior to collecting items on our behalf. Thank you!**

Items that Sarah's Circle Accepts

The best place to check in regarding currently accepted donations is on the Sarah's Circle website under Home>Donations>In Kind Donations (https://www.sarahs-circle.org/donations/in-kind-donations.html). We update this list frequently, and it reflects our biggest current needs. Some things that we are always able to accept are: travel sized toiletries, new underwear and socks, & over the counter medication. **Sarah's Circle does not accept furniture, large household items, or CLOTHING**. Page 2 is a flier that can be used to communicate what items we are accepting. This we change seasonally, so if your flier does not reflect the current season, please contact Sarah's Circle staff for an updated document.

How Items are Used

Sarah's Circle provides life necessities and supportive services for women who are homeless or in need of a safe space. Women come to our programs for a variety of reasons and are we are happy to accept donations items to support them. Donations of essential items provide a tremendous amount of support and enable Sarah's Circle to better meet the needs of our clients. All donated items are made available to the women and are often utilized quickly.

Dropping off Items

Items collected for Sarah's Circle should be dropped off at the Daytime Support Center at **4838 N Sheridan Road.** We prefer to accept items Monday-Friday between 9:30 am – 4:30 pm.. You can pull your vehicle in front of our location and call when you arrive so a staff person can assist you with bringing donations inside.

Please schedule your donation drop off with the Jojo Palmer. She can be reached at jpalmer@sarahs-circle.org.

Thank you for supporting Sarah's Circle!



Donate Essential Items to Women in Need!

Mission

Sarah's Circle provides a full continuum of services for women, including housing, life necessities, and supportive services to help them permanently end their homelessness.

Located in Chicago's Uptown Community, Sarah's Circle has provided support for thousands of women since 1979.

Items that Sarah's Circle Accepts: Summer

Items Currently in High Demand:

- New Underwear (larger sizes needed)***currently in very high demand
- Sunglasses
- Adult Diapers for Women (sizes L, XL)
- New Socks (sizes L, XL)
- Sunscreen
- New Bras (larger sizes especially needed)
- Wide Tooth Combs
- Hair Oil
- Baby Powder
- · Shea Butter
- Hair Ties
- Ventra Cards (single use or 1,3, or 7 day passes)
- Deodorant
- Ibuprofen, Acetaminophen, or Aspirin
- Disposable Razors
- Fish Oil and other vitamin supplements
- Cough Drops and Cold Medicine
- Ear Plugs and Headphones
- Nail Clippers/Files

Items that are Needed Regularly:

- Instant Coffee and Tea Bags (caffeinated and decaffeinated are appreciated)
- Mouthwash (travel size)
- New Bath Towels
- Chapstick
- Vaseline
- Unused Cosmetics
- Nail Polish and Remover
- Umbrellas
- Plastic rain caps and plastic rain ponchos

Art Supplies:

- Acrylic color paint sets in boxes, such as 5 color sets
- Beading Materials: glass beads, metal or metallic beads, wooden beads
- Art Books
- Colorful Yarns

