



Sarah's Circle
Ending Homelessness for Women

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 through Friday from 9:30 am – 4:00 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 [In Kind Donations](#). 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, bras, 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 our Leland site at 1005 W Leland Ave. We prefer to **accept items Monday-Friday between 9:30 am – 4:00 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. If you do not need assistance, go right up to the front door and ring our buzzer to let staff know you're there to drop off donation items. Please schedule your donation drop off with Linda Gist. She can be reached at lgist@sarahs-circle.org.

Donate Essential Items to Women in Need!

About Sarah's Circle

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Items that Sarah's Circle Accepts: Winter

Items Currently in High Demand:

- New underwear (variety of sizes)
- New bras (variety of sizes)
- New socks
- Hand and feet warmers
- Ventra cards (single use)
- Ibuprofen
- Dayquil / Nyquil
- Benadryl
- Cough drops / other cold medicine
- Umbrellas
- Ponchos
- Razors
- Vitamin supplements
- Travel size hand sanitizer
- Ear plugs and Headphones
- Travel size tissues

Items that are needed Regularly:

- Body wipes
- Travel size mouth wash
- Tide pods
- Chapstick
- Unused cosmetics
- Bonnets
- Textured hair curling cream
- Hair oil
- Shower caps

Art and Activity needs:

- Colored pencils
- Coloring books
- Colorful yarns
- Gardening gloves
- Aprons
- Garden seeds

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Items that Sarah's Circle Accepts: Summer

Items Currently in High Demand:

- New underwear (variety of sizes)
- New bras (variety of sizes)
- New socks
- Venter cards (single use)
- Ibuprofen
- Benadryl
- Umbrellas
- Ponchos
- Razors
- Vitamin supplements
- Travel size hand sanitizer
- Ear plugs and Headphones
- New swim suits
- Sunscreen
- Sunglasses
- Reusable water bottles
- New flipflops / slides
- Bugspray

Items that are needed Regularly:

- Body wipes
- Travel size mouth wash
- Tide pods
- Chapstick
- Unused cosmetics
- Bonnets
- Textured hair curling cream
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