How to pack a shoebox

Follow your box

Donate $9 per shoebox online.
We will email you a unique tracking label for each shoebox.

Print out each barcoded label.
Each label is unique. Do not photocopy labels. Stick a label on each shoebox.

Drop off your shoeboxes at school or at your nearest drop-off point.

How it works

Don’t forget your donation!* 
Donate online and follow your box:

Donate online at operationchristmaschild.org.au
OR complete form, place form and donation in an envelope and place inside your shoebox.

*Donations to Samaritan’s Purse Australia Operation Christmas Child are not tax-deductible.

See reverse for payment details

Samaritan's Purse Australia Operation Christmas Child is a registered charity and retains your personal information in confidence. For privacy information, it will be used only to inform you of programs and projects of Samaritan’s Purse and to provide you with opportunities to be involved in and support our work.
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START WITH AN EMPTY SHOEBOX OR ONE OF OUR PRE-PRINTED SHOEBOXES

CHOOSE AGE & GENDER

Age + Gender

FILL SHOEBOX WITH GIFTS

something to LOVE

something to WEAR

something for PERSONAL HYGIENE

something for SCHOOL

something to PLAY WITH

something SPECIAL

PRAY

Ask God to use your gifts to show His love to the child who receives your shoebox.

give online to follow your box

Scan this QR code to donate online at operationchristmaschild.org.au. You will receive an email showing the destination country of your gift.

DROP OFF YOUR GIFT

Find your nearest drop-off point:

operationchristmaschild.org.au

AUSTRALIA

NEW ZEALAND

1800 684 300

0800 684 300

NATIONAL COLLECTION MONTH

OCTOBER

gift ideas

✓ SOMETHING TO WEAR: t-shirt, polo shirt, shorts, skirt, cap, beanie, sandals, etc.

✓ SOMETHING TO LOVE: teddy bear, doll, soft toy, etc.

✓ SOMETHING SPECIAL: carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, stickers, necklaces, craft kits, a personal note, a photo of yourself, etc.

✓ SOMETHING FOR SCHOOL: exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring pencils, sharpener, eraser, chalk, etc.

✓ SOMETHING TO PLAY WITH: tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, musical instrument, yo-yo, string, finger puppets, wind-up torch, etc.

✓ SOMETHING FOR PERSONAL HYGIENE: soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, scrunchies, hair-clips, etc.

do not include

✗ ITEMS THAT LEAK OR MELT: (these can spoil boxes) including toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles, plasticine/play dough and batteries.

✗ FOOD OR LOLLIES OF ANY KIND: (due to customs regulations) including medicines and vitamins.

✗ ANY USED OR DAMAGED ITEMS: (due to customs regulations) including worn clothing and old toys.

✗ ANY BREAKABLE ITEMS: including glass, porcelain and mirrors.

✗ ANY ITEM THAT CAN SCARE OR HARM A CHILD: including war or pirate-related items such as toy guns, knives, military figures or skull and crossbones.

✗ ANY GAMBLING-RELATED ITEMS: including play money, playing cards and dominoes.

✗ ANYTHING OF A RELIGIOUS, RACIAL OR POLITICAL NATURE.

It is very important that the conditions above are followed in order to comply with various overseas government and customs constraints and to protect the content of the shoebox. We reserve the right to remove any unsuitable items.

INCLUDE $9 FOR EACH SHOEBOX

Donate $9 per box online or place your cash or cheque made out to Samaritan’s Purse Australia/Operation Christmas Child in an envelope on top of the gifts inside your box to cover shipping and other costs.

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Cheque include payable to Samaritan’s Purse Australia/Operation Christmas Child.

Cash

Money Order

Place Money Order inside an envelope and seal. Please make sure the Payee is "Operation Christmas Child".

Online

We recommend that you use a method other than cash for payment. If you are using cash, please make an envelope and seal.

Do not use these labels if donating online.