SPECIAL NOTES:
Please note that due to infection control and privacy issues we do not have opportunities for donors to personally distribute donations to patients and families.

Due to infection control and allergies we CANNOT accept used toys of any kind. This includes stuffed animals that have not been played with but have been on display or on shelves at home (example: Beanie Babies). We CAN accept newly purchased stuffed animals with tags still attached.

We cannot accept donations of toys with weapons or violent themes such as guns, knives, swords or other projectiles (including foam).

For safety reasons, we cannot accept food donations including candy and/or gum.

GIFTS
- Amazon, Target, & Walmart Gift Cards (see below for how we use these)
- Boppy Pillows
- Teether & Soft Plush Rattles
- Soft Crinkle Books
- Plastic Infant/Toddler Musical Light Up/Vibrating Toys (i.e. V-Tech, Fisher-Price)
- Plastic Links
- Textured Blocks or Balls
- Soft Rubber Toy Vehicles
- Toy Medical Play Kits (Fisher-Price)
- Dolls Representing Diversity (Skin Tone, Ability, Gender), (Plastic Body Preferred) & Action Figures
- LEGO sets
- Basic Art Supplies: Markers, Crayons, Colored Pencils, Coloring Books, Adult Coloring Books, Slime
- Playdough Kits, Kinetic Sand & Craft Kits
- Model Kits (Cars, Planes, Boats)
- Sketch Pads & Drawing Pencils
- Journals (No spirals)
- Bubbles
- Fidgets (Stress Balls, Wacky Tracks, Pop-its); no metal fidget toys/metal parts
- Board Games
- Cards: Uno, Skip-Bo, Phase Ten, Playing Cards
- Board Books
- Pop-up & I-Spy Books
- Teen DVDs
- New Fingernail Polish

HOW GIFT CARDS HELP US TO HELP PATIENTS AND FAMILIES
When receiving care at Nationwide Children’s Hospital, patients and families have a wide variety of needs for resources and support, and our team works hard to be creative in meeting those needs. Gift cards for Amazon, Walmart, and Target help us to meet those needs.

Why we prefer gift cards to receiving physical donations:
- A flexible gift: We rely on gift cards to get what is most needed when it is most needed. This helps us to ensure resources are consistently available throughout the year.
- A safer choice: Donors do not have to spend time in crowded stores to get them. We do not need to quarantine items that we purchase online using gift cards and receive via shipments.
- Specialty items: We can get items that meet unique needs for development, special populations, and our cleaning requirements, these items are often not found in stores.
- Optimize the value: We often use gift cards to get needed items when they are on sale such as during back to school. This helps us to maximize the value of the gift and helps to ensure we have resources throughout the year.
BOOKS AND MAGAZINES
Donations of new children’s books and family oriented magazines are welcome. We especially need: I Spy books, board books, new coloring books, new crossword and word search books.

The following types of materials are NOT acceptable: encyclopedias, textbooks, news magazines over a year old, books or magazines with adult themes, religious themes, violent themes or scary characters.

LET US DO THE SHOPPING
You can let us do the shopping by making a contribution to:
Nationwide Children’s Hospital Foundation
P.O. Box 16810 Columbus, OH 43216-6810
If you would like us to purchase items from the Wish List, please indicate that your donation is for the Child Life Fund

DONATION INSTRUCTIONS
Donations can be brought to the information desk at Nationwide Children’s Hospital, 630 Children’s Drive. Please fill out a donation slip (available at information desk) when you bring your donation.

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday
9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday

Location: 630 Children’s Drive, Columbus, OH 43205

For donations in November and December, check the Wish List website for scheduling and drop-off details: NationwideChildrens.org/WishList

Please contact us at (614) 722-3635 if you have any questions about donations.