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## **Christmas Toy Drive to Benefit Sick and Injured Children in Hospital Over Holidays**

**PENSACOLA, Fla.** – To help sick and injured children who must spend their Christmas holiday in the hospital, The Studer Family Children's Hospital at Sacred Heart has launched a Christmas Toy Drive, seeking donations of toys for the hospital's patients, playrooms and child life program. For infection control and safety reasons, items must be new, and toys must be washable (plastic or wood). Please no toys with violent themes.

The following items represent the hospital's areas of greatest need:

### **Teen Items**

- Fuzzy and/or funny socks
- Blank journals
- Lip gloss and flavored chapstick
- Small makeup kits
- Nail polish
- Ear buds
- Craft kits
- Scrapbook kits

### **Toys:**

- Baby dolls (all ethnicities)
- Disney Princess items
- Disney (Mickey Mouse, Toy Story, Cars, etc.)
- Light up/musical toys (VTech, Little People, Fisher Price, Melissa and Doug)
- Play-Doh
- Rattles (plastic)
- Small Lego Kits
- Small prizes (under \$10)
- Stress balls
- Stuffed animals (brand new only)
- Super Heroes (Captain America, Batman, Iron Man, etc.)
- Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

### **Arts & Craft Supplies**

- Art sets
- Blank journals
- Construction paper
- Craft kits (esp. for teens)

- Crayons (8-count packs and 16-count packs)
- Modeling clay
- Scrapbook kits

#### **Games:**

- Hand-held games
  - o Yahtzee
  - o Texas hold em/poker
  - o Bop it
- Card Games
  - o Uno
  - o Phase 10
- Video Games (E-T)
  - o Xbox 360
  - o Xbox One

#### **Gift cards (\$5 & \$10)**

- Babies R us
- Toys R us
- Fast food restaurants
- Google Play
- iTunes
- Starbucks
- Target
- Wal-Mart

Donations for the Christmas Toy Drive can be dropped off at the information desk in the lobby of The Studer Family Children's Hospital at Sacred Heart, which is located at 5151 N. Ninth Avenue in Pensacola. Donation receipts will be provided. For information, call 850-416-4363.

#### ***About The Studer Family Children's Hospital at Sacred Heart***

The Studer Family Children's Hospital at Sacred Heart is a 117-bed facility that serves as the only children's hospital in Northwest Florida. The Children's Hospital offers a wide range of services to meet all of a child's medical needs, from a pediatric emergency room and neonatal intensive care unit to a medical staff of more than 120 board-certified physicians across 29 pediatric specialties. The Children's Hospital provides quality, compassionate care to children, regardless of their parents' ability to pay. Sacred Heart Health System is a member of Ascension, the largest non-profit health system in the U.S. and the world's largest Catholic health system. For more information about the services available at The Studer Family Children's Hospital at Sacred Heart, visit [www.sacred-heart.org/childrenshospital](http://www.sacred-heart.org/childrenshospital).

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