



# District 19E Newsletter

"Looking for the Lion in Everyone"



## SPECIAL EDITION OCTOBER 2019

### HELPING CHILDREN WITH CANCER

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As reported in the August newsletter, close to 12,000 children are diagnosed with some form of cancer each year in North America. Fortunately, treatment for children in District 19E of the United States is only a few miles away. That is not the case with children in District 19E British Columbia. Children must travel either to Vancouver, BC or a hospital in Alberta. We can help by raising funds, and many clubs already do that.

So how can we possibly help these children? As a district project, I am asking each club to donate at least a combination of 5 books and 5 other items to be distributed to the hospitals that children in our district may have to visit for **CANCER** treatment.

***In Washington and Idaho***, you can send the following items to Sacred Heart Medical Center.

#### **Infant rattles and teethers**

- Pop Up Toys
- Light up stacking toys
- Ocean sound aquariums
- Musical light up toys
- Wipe-able blocks (such as Duplo)
- Board books

#### **Preschool/School age:**

- Fisher Price little people sets
- Match box cars
- Plastic cars and trucks
- Lego sets
- Disney Princess toys
- Action figures
- Wood Puzzles
- Fisher Price medical kits
- Nerf Zombie Blowdart Blaster

#### **Games and Entertainment:**

- Uno
- 20, 50, 100 piece puzzles
- Spanish movies and books

#### **Teens:**

- (All video games must be either "E" or "T" ratings.)
- Xbox One games (please visit our Amazon wish list for specific video game requests: Link provided)
- Xbox 360 games

- PS4 games
- Xbox wireless controllers
- Teen coloring books
- Nail polish
- Distractions Toys:
- Wedding bubbles (mini bubble wands)
- Please visit our Amazon wish list to see specific Child
- Life needs: link provided

#### **Craft Supplies:**

- Sacred Heart Children's Hospital uses Crayola brand
- to assure all craft supplies are non-toxic.
- Crayola brand crayons
- Crayola brand 8 count markers
- Crayola brand colored pencils
- Crayola brand watercolors
- Coloring books
- Golden books
- Klutz Craft Kits and Books
- Playdoh and Playdoh cutting/rolling accessories
- Model Magic

Follow this link to Sacred Heart Children's Hospital's Amazon Wish List!

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/Providence Health Care Foundation, Eastern Washington](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/ProvidenceHealthCareFoundation,EasternWashington)

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## HELPING CHILDREN WITH CANCER

**British Columbian Lions** can check out Alberta’s Children’s Hospital Foundation website <http://www.childrenshospital.ab.ca/site/PageServer?pagename=giftsinkind> for three pages of suggested donations.

Or

Donate to the BC Children’s and BC Women’s Hospitals, in which case you can purchase the following (C+W) Wish List items:

At C+W our primary concern is the comfort and wellbeing of our patients and their families. You will find below a listing of age appropriate toys & gifts needed and acceptable to C+W. We also have a few guidelines which need to be followed:

- Due to infection control and allergies, we CANNOT accept used toys of any kind. This includes stuffed animals that have only been on display.
- All donations must be new and NOT gift wrapped. Toys need to be inspected so that they can be matched with an appropriate child.
- Please, no toys or action figures with weapons or violent themes such as guns, knives, swords or other projectiles.

Online donations are gratefully accepted to help stock the toy and activity needs throughout the year. Should you wish for us to do the shopping for you, you can donate online and we will fulfill specific needs: <https://www.bcchf.ca/donate/other-ways-to-give/toy-bank/>

Or

You can make cheques payable to: BC Children’s Hospital, Child Life Department c/o BC Children’s Hospital Foundation, 938 West 28th Ave., Vancouver, BC V5Z 4H4

Due to privacy and infection control, we cannot allow personal delivery of gifts and donations directly to patients. We make every effort to maximize the donations we receive from our donors. Occasionally, we receive items that may not be appropriate for us in the hospital or pose potential health concerns for our patients. These toys are shared with other children’s charities in the Lower Mainland.

### **Items in High Demand**

- Infant rattles, washable mobiles & board books
- Self-contained craft kits (Brands: Klutz, Melissa & Doug)
- Crayola crayons and markers
- Teen arts and crafts kits & snap-together model kits
- Small Lego sets
- Gift cards for music, movies, video games, restaurants, Amazon – refer to full list below
- Samsung Galaxy tablets
- iPads, iPad stands

### **For Infants (0-18 months):**

- Infant development toys (Fisher Price, Playskool, Leap Frog, Imaginarium, HAPE, HABA)
- Assorted infant-sized rattles
- Non-toxic teething toys (Sophie the Giraffe)
- Balls (O-ball, sensory)
- Stacking cups
- Mobiles
- Infant books (that include black and white pictures and/or pictures of babies)
- Crib side music and image players (Fisher Price Ocean Wonders Aquarium)
- Nighttime bedside projector (Cloud B Twilight Turtle)

## **HELPING CHILDREN WITH CANCER**

### **British Columbian Lions**

#### **Toddlers & Preschoolers (18 months to 4 Years):**

- Puzzles – 25 to 50 pieces
- Fisher Price 'Little People' figures and sets
- 'Chuck and Friends' cars
- Small plastic animals (Schleich brand, wild, farm, domestic, dinosaur)
- Toy cars (Hot Wheels and Fisher Price brand)
- WOW toys (ambulance, helicopter, etc.)
- Toy trains/tracks (Thomas the Train)
- Themed toys (including cards, games and dolls)
- Mini doll sets (Littlest Pet Shop, My Little Pony)
- Baby dolls
- Kitchen Play Food (Just Like Home, Melissa & Doug)
- DVDs (Toopi and Bino, Max and Ruby, Disney & Pixar movies, Thomas the Tank Engine, the Backyardigans, Wonderpets, Paw Patrol, Boss Baby, Transylvania 3, Moana, Incredibles 2, Cars, Frozen)
- Doctor Kits (Little MD-Parents brand)
- Electronic learning toys by V-Tech

#### **School Age (5 – 11 years)**

- Lego sets (StarWars, City Lego, Ninjago, Super Heroes, Kingdoms, Toy Story, Creator, Bionicles, Disney and Friend Leg)
- Lego store gift cards
- Assorted toys and figures (e.g. Minecraft, Star Wars, Moana, Frozen, Princesses, Super Heroes) • Assorted Nerf brand toys
- Arts and Crafts Kits (Klutz brand or Melissa & Doug)
- Play-Doh single containers & shape cutters
- Stickers
- Model kits

- iPhone 6/7
- Lego Robotics
- Video game gift cards (Microsoft Gift Cards for Xbox One, PlayStation Network Gift Cards for PS4)
- Xbox Gold Live gift cards
- Google Play Gift Cards
- Assorted video game controllers (Xbox One, PS4)
- Assorted Video Game Systems (Xbox One, PS4)
- MicroSD Memory Cards (32GB or higher)
- iTunes gift cards
- Bluetooth portable speakers
- Herschel brand accessories (wallets, makeup bags, etc.)
- Bath and body products/kits
- Journals (Indigo Chapters brand)
- Sketch books & pencils
- Teen board games
- Hoodies

#### **Miscellaneous Items for Birthdays:**

- Gift bags (assorted sizes)
- Small flameless tea lights
- No latex balloons please

#### **Gift Cards (in small denominations)**

- Starbucks
- Best Buy
- Chapters
- iTunes
- Amazon
- Sephora
- Opus Framing, Michael's or other craft supply stores
- Netflix
- Google Play
- Microsoft Xbox
- Xbox Gold Live
- PlayStation Network
- Clothing stores: Gap, H&M, West 49, Billabong, Aeropostale

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- Puzzles
- Story books
- Board Games (Trouble, The Game of List, UNO, Sorry, Scrabble, Candyland, Chutes and Ladders, Monopoly, Monopoly Junior, Candy Land, Don't Break the Ice, Connect 4, and any other popular board games)
- Video game gift cards (Microsoft Gift Cards for Xbox One, PlayStation Network Gift Cards for PS4)
- Google Play Gift Cards
- MicroSD Memory Cards (32GB or higher)
- iTunes Gift Cards

### **Youth (12-19)**

- Youth craft materials
- Cameras – point and shoot
- 'Beats' brand headphones

### **Provide the gift of an experience, by donating the following:**

- Cineplex Movie Tickets
- Science World Passes
- Aquarium Passes
- Vandusen Garden Passes
- Sporting Event Tickets (hockey, soccer, football, baseball)
- Concert Tickets
- Restaurant Gift Certificates

**I hope you join me in helping make a difference in a child's life who is receiving CANCER treatment by donating to one of the cancer centers, then post it on MyLion.**

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