

Holiday Giving Program 2025 — Wish Stars — Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Who receives the donated gifts?

A. Each year over 3,500 children and 2,700 families are served by the Sacramento Children's Home's residential and community-based programs, and approximately 1,500 children are directly served during the holidays. The children range in age from babies at the Crisis Nurseries to school-aged children and young adults in our various programs. For most of our clients, donated gifts are the only gifts they will receive this holiday season.

Q. Should I wrap the gifts?

A. No, please keep gifts unwrapped and place them in a sturdy bag with a handle with the Wish Star securely attached. If including gift cards, write the amount on the card.

It is very important that you keep the gifts for each child together along with the matching star.

Q. If I select a Wish Star, where do I deliver the gifts?

Drop off donations at the Philanthropy Department Building behind the Sacramento Children's Home. There will be signage to direct you to our volunteers. We get very busy on the final day, so earlier drop offs are strongly encouraged.

2750 Sutterville Road, Sacramento, CA 95820

- o Tuesday, December 9 Friday, December.....9:30am 4:00pm
- Saturday, December 13.......10:00am 2:00pm
- Monday, December 15 Tuesday, December 16......9:00am 4:00pm

Q. Do I have to buy all of the gifts listed on the Wish Star?

A. No, you can select the items you are comfortable purchasing, but know that only one Wish Star is sent out to the community to fulfill for each specific child. Cash and gift card donations help fulfill any unfulfilled wish lists.

Q. What happens if stars are lost, not returned, or left unclaimed?

A. We use financial donations to purchase unfulfilled items and ensure every child's wish is met.

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