Fall & Winter Season

In Kind Critical Needs List

**Most Critical Items** *(distributed daily throughout the season)*:

- Socks (new)
- Coffee (Canned or Bulk size)
- Hats / Scarves / Gloves (new or gently used)
- Lip Balm
- Feminine hygiene products
- Toiletries (travel-size or full-size)
- Bottled Water

**Other critical items needed** *(by category)*

**Art Supplies**
- Canvases or Canvas boards (new or used)
- Scissors (not pinking shears)
- Acrylic and/or Watercolor Paint
- Gesso
- Frames and Precut Mats (16x20 and smaller)
- Collections of found/recycled objects
  - (bottle caps, corks, dice, buttons etc.)
- Beads and Beading Supplies
- Mat board & Pre-Cut Mats
- Embroidery Cloth
- Latch Hook Rug Canvases

**Personal Care**
- Deodorant
- Soap
- Hand Lotion
- Denture Adhesive (all brands)
- Razors
- Sunscreen
- Shampoo & Conditioner (large or hotel size)
- Backpacks
- Blankets (new or gently used)
- Zip-lock bags (all sizes)

**Health Care**
- Band-Aids
- Canes
- Undergarments (new)
- Foot Powder
- Home Pregnancy Tests
- Women’s Hygiene Products
- Sugarless Gum w/xylitol
- Children’s Diapers (all sizes, esp. large)
- Baby Wipes

Your donated items will be distributed to individuals and families without homes who receive services at AHCH or through our Outreach activities. **Please call us at 767-1177 or -1178 if you have questions about other items we may need, for directions, or to make delivery arrangements.**

**Note about Medical Supplies:**
There are several restrictions and programmatic guidelines regarding the donation of medical supplies for AHCH programs. **Please call 505-767-1177 and speak to the Development Officer first to discuss the possible donation of any medical supplies, equipment, etc. that you may have. We CANNOT accept any hospice care equipment/supplies, medications or glucometers/test strips for diabetes care.**

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Critical needs donations are essential to supporting Albuquerque Health Care for the Homeless (AHCH)’s mission to end homelessness. If you are in doubt about your donations, it is always better to call and ask.

We know you care about ensuring your donations get to the right people who need them. You might be surprised to find that Albuquerque Health Care for the Homeless cannot accept:

1. Anything that plugs in
2. Syringes
3. Medications, even if they are in their original packaging
4. Food
5. Furniture
6. Large amounts of clothing – AHCH does not have the capacity to sort, clean, and store large amounts of clothing. Please note this does not include new socks and underwear, which are always needed and given out daily.
7. Hospice care equipment or supplies
8. Glucose meters or test strips

AHCH serves as a community broker for items essential to people exiting homelessness and we are always happy to refer you to the appropriate community partner organization if you have items AHCH cannot accept. Call us at 505-767-1177 if you have questions about donations.

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