

2011 Holiday Gift Program



*Fact: Your generosity can
change lives and
bring joy and
basic needs
to people in need
this holiday season!*



Giving Guide

612.825.3333

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Please join us again this year in supporting Tubman's Holiday Gift Program!

For over a decade, thoughtful donors like you have brought joy to the lives of Tubman families during the holidays. This event is a cherished part of our tradition, brightening the lives of more than 1,000 mothers and children annually. Nearly all of them have endured family violence and instability for months, even years. To these individuals, your generous gifts are so deeply enjoyed and appreciated.

This booklet includes a comprehensive gift guide that describes the holiday wishes of the families we serve. This year you have more options to choose from. You could give an *alternative holiday gift*—paying for some of the important items our families simply can't afford; or perhaps you'd like to spread holiday cheer by providing treats at one of our service sites? Please read through the enclosed lists and think about how your family, church or work group might like to be involved.

Thank you for your compassion and kindness!

Event Location and Gift Drop-Off Times

West Metro

Lake Harriet
United Methodist Church
4901 Chowen Ave South
Minneapolis, MN 55410
Contact: Eleanor Christiansen
612-926-7245

East Metro

Woodbury
Peaceful Grove (UMC)
7465 Steepleview Road
Woodbury, MN 55125
Contact: Patte Martin
651-738-0305

Drop-Off Schedule (both locations)

	<u>Lake Harriet</u>	<u>Woodbury</u>
Monday 12/5	9am—4pm	9am—4pm
Tuesday 12/6	9am—4pm	9am—8pm
Wednesday 12/7	9am—8pm	9am—4pm
Thursday 12/8	9am—4pm	9am—8pm
Friday 12/9	9am—4pm	9am—4pm
Saturday 12/10	NA	9am—Noon

Other times by appointment, please call Eleanor or Patte directly!

2011 Holiday Gift Program In-Kind Donation Form—Keep a copy of this as your receipt.

Donor Information, please print.

Organization/Name _____ Date ____/____/11
 Contact Person _____ Email _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

In-kind Item(s) - description and value, defined by donor.

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total Estimated Value	\$ _____

I/we would like to make a gift of \$ _____

Check Enclosed I will donate Online at tubman.org

Internal Use: Accepting staff or volunteers _____ Date ____/____/____

No Time to Shop?

Make a donation that will help change lives!

Childcare Needs

One of the largest barriers for those we serve is the cost of childcare. In order to access the critical services and attend groups and classes that facilitate their path to recovery, they must have affordable and reliable childcare. Your generous gift will go a long way in helping these families meet their needs.

Please consider the impact you could make!

- \$50 Could cover childcare costs for a family with two children while mom attends career workshops.
- \$100 Could pay the activity fees for a teen in our shelter to play on the school basketball (or other sports) team.
- \$250 Could sponsor a month long children's art class in one of our shelters, including an instructor and supplies.
- \$300 Could provide childcare for the children of 5 women participating in a 12-week support group.
- \$500 Could cover childcare for a single mother attending six months of counseling.

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Fact: When Tubman was founded in 1974, it was one of only three domestic violence shelters in the nation.

Gifts for the Women

Gifts to complete the home:

- Pots 'n pans, dish sets, glassware, silverware
- Towel, sheet sets (full and queen), and blankets

Gifts to warm the heart:

- PJ's, bathrobes, and slippers (XS-3X)
- Cozy loungewear (XS-3X)

Gifts to warm the soul:

- Photo albums, frames, and candles
- Lotions, bath products, and cosmetics

Gifts for the Whole Family

- Winter items like hats, gloves, snowsuits, scarves, boots
- Board Games like Monopoly, Apples to Apples, Scattergories, Pictionary, Catch Phrase, Life, Taboo, Scene-It.



Fact: Mothers and children fleeing abusive relationships often arrive at our shelters with nothing—no clothes, no money and no toys or books for their kids.

Gifts for the Kids

Teens and Tweens

- \$10 Gift Cards to a local retailer
- Sports equipment, pro athletic clothing, hooded sweat-shirts
- Scarves, hats, tote bags, purses
- Books: culturally specific fiction, comic books, and Manga

Kids ages 2-9

- Dolls of all ethnicities
- Legos, building blocks
- Cars and trucks, racetracks
- Clothing, snowsuits and boots
- Sports equipment
- Art supplies, science kits

Infants

- Umbrella strollers and car seats
- Clothing, snowsuits and boots
- Baby toys, board and cloth books, stuffed animals
- Pacifiers, bottles, baby monitors, sippy cups
- Diaper bags, crib sheets



Fact: Families stay at our shelter an average of 44 days. During that time they receive legal advice, therapy, group support and assistance planning their next steps.

Spread Holiday Cheer!

Help create a warm and inviting atmosphere at one of our primary service locations. You and your family, friends, church or work group can provide treats during evenings when support groups and classes are taking place. Suggestions include cookies, bars, pastries, muffins or other baked goods. Coffee, apple cider, cocoa or juice would also go well with the treats!

Opportunities are available from December 1st thru January 7th, and you should plan on providing treats for about 50 people. Call **612.825.3333** to schedule a time and location that works for you.

Special Considerations

Please make sure toys reinforce our value of non-violence; no guns or weapons, please. We'd also appreciate the inclusion of batteries for any items that may require them. Remember, items should be NEW and unwrapped— separate donations of gift wrap, bows, tape and ribbon are welcome.

Do not hesitate to call (**612.825.3333**) if you have any specific questions about items you wish to donate or program guidelines. Thanks again for helping make this especially difficult time of year brighter for the families and individuals we serve.

Turn the page to learn about alternative gift options!



Fact: Tubman now provides elder care resources. Please also consider a gift for our senior in our community.