



Agency Large Gift Requests

New This Year: Many "Frostys" want to buy more gifts than are requested. If you or your group would like, we can arrange for a group gift that you can purchase together for an agency, to be used by their staff and kids. Below are the wish lists that participating Frosty's Friends agencies have submitted to us. *If you are interested in purchasing any of these items for an agency, please contact Lynn Weisel at Boston Cares at lweisel@bostoncares.org or 617.422.0910 x200.* Thanks for supporting the children and agencies supported by Boston Cares!

• **Jordan Boys and Girls Club** *Chelsea, MA*

Jordan Boys and Girls Club, located in Chelsea, serves over 1,200 children and teens—about 25 percent of Chelsea's children and teens.

Gift Requests:

- Durable, inviting furniture for the teen center. (A sofa and loveseat or some sturdy, colorful chairs and tables)
 - Fitness Equipment for the fitness room
 - Art Supplies
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• **Transition House & Transition House Emergency Shelter** *Cambridge, MA*

Transition House works towards the prevention and cessation of domestic violence through education, outreach and intervention. To achieve their mission they provide long and short-term shelter/housing services, supportive services, youth violence prevention services and empowerment skills. Their goal is to provide these services in a diverse and culturally sensitive setting that supports and empowers families to choose lifelong freedom from domestic violence.

Emergency Shelter Gift Requests:

Transition House Emergency Shelter is looking for items that help entertain the children outside of the shelter including:

- Tickets to see the Celtics, Patriots, the Nutcracker, Blue Man group, or any other kid-friendly event
- Membership or Passes to the Franklin Park Zoo
- A collection of kid-friendly DVDs (Shrek, The Sound of Music, Harry Potter, etc)

Transition Gift Requests:

- Kitchen set with play food and utensils
 - Floor Easel with Chalkboard and Dry Erase Board
 - Art activities/kits for different ages
 - Paints and Playdoh
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• **Charlestown Boys & Girls Club** *Charlestown, MA*

Charlestown Boys and Girls Club, located in Charlestown, is one of the five Boys & Girls Clubs that serves Boston. Altogether the five clubs serve over 12,000 children and teens each year.

Gift Requests:

- Ping-pong table
- 9-foot slate pool table



• **Log School Settlement House** *Dorchester, MA*

The Log School, founded by Joe Carpineto in 1974, is a settlement house which offers Dorchester an array of educational and social services. The goal of the dedicated staff is to provide services that will improve the lives of local residents and strengthen the community as a whole by implementing programs based on changing neighborhood needs. Some examples of programs include early childhood education & afterschool programs.

Gift Requests:

- Classroom Computer for educational games for the children
 - CD Player
 - 19 inch combo TV
 - Kitchen set for the play area
 - Three tables for the classroom
 - Tickets to Disney on Ice or the Children's Museum
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• **Jewish Vocational Service** *Boston, MA*

Jewish Vocational Service (JVS) provides job search, employment assistance, education, training, career development, and support to individuals from all backgrounds. Although JVS directly serves adults, they indirectly serve children through the services offered to their parents.

Gift Requests:

Jewish Vocational Service has requested bicycles for the children served by their agency, as this is an item their parents can generally not afford.

- Four 12" bicycles (2 girl / 2 boy)
 - Four 16" bicycles (2 girl/ 2 boy)
 - Four 20" bicycles (2 girl/2 boy)
 - Twelve Bicycle Helmets
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• **Elizabeth Stone House** *Jamaica Plain, MA*

The mission of the Elizabeth Stone House is to prevent institutionalization and further victimization of women in emotional distress through the provision of safe, confidential, residential, and community support services for them and their children. This year, 165 women and children received support while living in one of their three residential programs.

Gift Requests:

- A puppet theatre with multicultural puppets
 - Multicultural baby dolls
 - Children's Musical Instruments
 - A Miniature Play Kitchen for Pretending
 - Dress-up Clothes
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• **REACH Beyond Domestic Violence** *Waltham, MA*

REACH is committed to advancing the safety, healing, and empowerment of those who experience domestic or relationship violence, through direct services and education while promoting social justice for individuals and families of all backgrounds. Services at REACH include children's therapy, support groups, a 24-hour hotline, an emergency shelter and much more.

Gift Requests:

- A collection of communal bikes for the children who come through the shelter. They request gender neutral bikes in a variety of sizes, including a tricycle, as well as bike helmets.
- Board games, including ones that are easy for children who speak different languages to play together (examples: Connect4 and FigureX)



• **Germaine Lawrence** *Arlington, MA*

Germaine Lawrence provides the highest quality residential treatment services in New England for troubled adolescent girls with the goal of strengthening their relationships with their families and preparing them for productive, independent lives.. They serve girls whose behaviors may include school failure, suicide attempts, cutting, sexually acting out, drug or alcohol abuse, running away, eating disorders, aggression, or firesetting.

Gift Requests:

- 27" TV/VCR/DVD combo
 - For the new Teen Center: Standing Karaoke System, Books, Board Games, Movies, CDs
 - A sound system with wireless speakers to put in the hallways upstairs to play soothing music.
 - A new set of lockers that are colorful and less institutional looking than what we have. (We give each girl a locker to store all hygiene products since they are not allowed to have them in their bedrooms).
 - Sitting bench for visitors and parents as they wait in the front foyer.
 - Podium for to hold guestbook for signing guests in and out of the building.
 - Long bookcase for the cubby area.
 - New entertainment center for the living room.
 - New Kitchen cabinets.
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• **Perkins School for the Blind** *Watertown, MA*

Perkins School for the Blind is committed to providing education and services that build productive, meaningful lives for children and adults around the world who are blind, deafblind or visually impaired with or without other disabilities.

Gift Requests:

- A train table with drawers and a train set
 - Sturdy big red classic Radio Flyer wagon
 - Computer Games appropriate for ages 6-12
 - Passes to local museums (Science Museum, Acton Children's Museum)
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• **Associated Early Child Care and Education** *Boston, MA*

When the first program opened in 1878, Associated Early Care and Education became New England's first child care and early education agency. Almost 127 years later, Associated still remains committed to providing high quality, affordable child care to Boston's working families and their children. More than 60% of the families that we serve earn less than \$15,000 per year. Because affordable child care is critical to these families, our organization works hard to keep tuition costs at a minimum.

Gift Requests:

- Classroom or Art Supplies (Fingerpaint, markers, crayons, construction paper)
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• **Boys and Girls Club of Lynn** *Lynn, MA*

Boys & Girls Club of Lynn provides focus, structure and direction for children in the greater Lynn area. With a current annual membership of over 2800 boys and girls, the Club offers a myriad of programs for children ages 6 – 18. No child is ever denied membership due to an inability to pay a membership fee.

Gift Requests:

- Foosball Table
- Bumper-pool Table