

# DONATIONS

SUPPORT OUR PARTNERS

## WHY IT MATTERS

When our service teams take requested donations to our international partners, we are able to provide them with goods that they may not be able to easily access locally, providing a great service to their ministries. Donations include clothing, hygiene items, school supplies and sports equipment that are given directly to the communities we serve.

## HOW IT HAPPENS

Each team member is encouraged to collect, pack, and travel with one or two 50lb bags of donations. Personal items should be packed in carry-on luggage only. HFK Staff or your Team Captain will provide you a list of site specific donations within 2 months of travel. Once you have it, it's time to gather donations! You can also donate your personal items after using them during your week of service.

## ASK FOR HELP

Reach out to your personal network regarding the donations you are collecting and why you are collecting them!

- Create a donation drop-off location (churches, parks) to make collection easy.
- Offer to pick up donations from friends and family to make donations easy.
- Offer to collect monetary donations and do the shopping yourself!

## NEXT STEPS

1. **Consider purchasing or borrowing** one or two large duffel bags for donation packing that can be brought back in your carry on or donated.
2. **Pack one or two-50lb donation bags** with the donations you have gathered (make sure to weigh them before heading to the airport!)
3. **Label your bags** using the international address provided on your donation list.
4. **Talk to your team captain** about paying for checked donation bags. (It is of great assistance to us when bag costs are covered by the airline or are donated by trip participants. If not, HFK can cover the bag cost.)
5. **Set an early airport arrival time** so that all bags can be checked with plenty of time to make it through security.

Questions? Email us at: [info@hereforkids.org](mailto:info@hereforkids.org).

↓ **Location specific Donations Requests Lists attached below.** ↓



## List of Preferred Donations



### Sport Equipment

Soccer balls and shoes  
Volleyballs  
Basketballs  
Baseball bat  
Baseballs  
Baseball gloves  
Sneakers shoes for kids. Size 35-40 (US 3-8)  
Sports socks  
Sunscreen

### Crafts and School supplies

Arts & crafts materials (Wiggle Eyes, Chenille Stems, sticker, pom pom balls)  
Color pencils  
Crayons  
Liquid glue  
Pencils  
Scissors  
School Backpacks

### Winter implements

Umbrellas  
Waterproof coats  
Waterproof boots  
Waterproof cover for backpack

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**Team members can clean their closets or let friends and family participate in their trip!**

1. **SPORTS EQUIPMENT for playground use** (soccer balls, basketballs, volleyballs, large rubber balls, jump ropes, etc.) Used in good condition is fine. Sometimes a school or university will donate 30 soccer balls or volleyballs from their practice equipment which is superb for us.
2. **SCHOOL SUPPLIES** Construction paper is great for our schools! Other school supplies such as pens, pencils, crayons, markers, and glue sticks are also great. (Most schools do not allow the use of spiral notebooks.)
3. **SCHOOL BACKPACKS** Good condition, used or new school backpacks are great also. String backpacks are of very limited use and cannot be used for school.
4. **MEDICINE/FIRST AID SUPPLIES** Useful over-the-counter medicines in larger quantities for adults and kids: acetaminophen (Tylenol), ibuprofen (Advil), loratadine (Claritin) OR cetirizine (Zyrtec), cough/cold medicines, TUMs (calcium carbonate), clotrimazole cream (antifungal), hydrocortisone cream 1%, antibiotic cream. Basic supplies: gloves, ace bandages, medical tape, gauze (2x2 and 4x4). Masks – all sizes. If someone has crutches or a sling they are not using those are useful.
5. **DENTAL** Toothbrushes and toothpaste (large or small sizes) are great. Often local dentists will make donations from their free supplies if asked.
6. **CLOTHES AND SHOES (ages ~4-18 years old)** Used tennis shoes in good condition in various kids sizes are great. We would rather have 10 pair of good condition used shoes from Goodwill than 1 pair of new shoes. Khaki pants of any size are useful for school in the DR. Dress clothing such as modest dress and golf shirts are great too. Modest bathing suits (one piece for girls) are also great. T-shirts, poor condition clothes, torn jeans, flip-flops, or super high heeled shoes are not useful. (Chaco/Teva type sandals in good condition are ok.)
7. **PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS** such as deodorant, hand sanitizer, hotel soaps/shampoos are great.
8. **CHILDREN'S BOOKS IN SPANISH** We are trying to fill out libraries in all 7 of our schools, so books are a huge blessing – fiction and nonfiction. Children's Bibles are great. Books like the Chronicle of Narnia or Usborne children's books are good. (It is important to remember to screen for cultural appropriateness – for example we do not have Halloween in the DR; books about witches/witchcraft are not acceptable because there are witches here who practice witchcraft which we do not want to promote, etc. If there are questions, just ask.)
9. **WATER BOTTLES** We are trying to encourage all children to have water bottles at school, so these are great.
10. **TWIN SHEETS/TOWELS new or very lightly used** These are mostly for the residential ministries and are great to have. Some people have bought sheets at Target to use and then left them as a donation.

# Kids Alive International Peru

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### Oasis

- **Children:** school supplies (notebooks, crayons/colored pencils/markers, scissors, clay/playdough, etc.)
- **Sewing:** tools such as fabric scissors, threads (various colors), fabrics (but not fleece because we still have a bunch).
- **Pastry:** Utensils for making desserts, sleeves for decorating (piping bag), cake molds of different sizes and models, etc.
- **Workshops in the community:** Prizes to give away such as: keychains, little toys, little games, Christian advice literature for young people or for parents, hats, polo shirts, etc.
- **Larger donation needs:** Sewing machines, mixers, children's backpacks, lunch boxes, etc.

### Juniper Tree

- Musical instruments: Cajons, guitars, charangos, others
- Canvases & Painting utensils
- Equipment for ping pong, replacement parts for foosball table.
- Fitness accessories

### Orchard

- Ping pong equipment
- Outdoors toys
- Kubota lawn mower parts
- Fitness equipment
- School supplies
- Clothing

# **Lighthouse**

## **Children and adolescents:**

- Crayons/colored pencils
- Pens
- Markers
- Scissors
- Erasers
- Playdough
- Stickers
- Glue stick or liquid glue
- Packaging Tapes
- Masking tape
- Bible Stories coloring books
- Prizes/rewards: small toys, keychains etc
- hygiene kits (toothbrush, toothpaste)

## **Sewing:**

- Fabric scissors
- Different colored yarns
- Thread
- Fabrics

## **Pastry:**

- Cupcake pans of different sizes
- Cake molds of different sizes
- Piping bags (for decorating cakes)
- Measuring cup set
- Cookie cutters
- Holiday cookie cutters

## **For families and workshop participants:**

- Puzzles
- Shirts
- Hats
- Coloring Books
- Stickers
- Socks
- Undergarments
- Tops for Girls

## **Friends of Peru**

### **Children:**

- Colored pencils, crayons
- Markers
- Notebook of different sizes (lined, graphing)
- Scissors
- Erasers
- Playdough
- Stickers
- Glue sticks or liquid
- Packaging Tape
- Masking tape
- Bible Stories coloring books
- Educational games: puzzles, legos, monopoly, UNO
- Hygiene kits (toothbrush, toothpaste)
- Shirts

### **Sewing:**

- Fabric scissors.
- Different colored yarns
- Scissors for cutting fabric, craft magazines, different colored threads, needles and yarn for knitting.

### **Pastry:**

- Baking utensils and tools

### **For families:**

- Shirts
- Hats
- Coats/ Jackets
- canvases, paints, and brushes.
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, and floss kits
- Puzzles
- Coloring Books
- Stickers
- Socks
- Undergarments

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