

## CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

Sunglasses  
Men's and Women's white crew socks  
Slipper socks with non-skid bottoms  
Ladies gowns, pajamas and robes  
Jewelry (bracelets, clip-on or pierced earrings, necklaces and watches)  
Umbrellas, Plastic ponchos  
Photo Albums  
Gloves, hat and scarf sets  
Jewelry Boxes  
Book bags, Tote bags  
Fanny packs  
Pocketbooks (soft, clutch-type, or small handbags)  
Wallets  
Key rings  
CD's of all types (easy listening, nature, etc.)  
VHS or DVD movies (rated PG- PG13)  
Hand towels  
Base ball caps, cowboy hats, cloth hats  
Belts  
Lap blankets  
Bed "throws" (cotton)  
Large throw pillows  
Picture frames for photos (all sizes, prefer no glass)

### TOILETRIES

Shampoo and conditioner  
Body lotion or hand lotion  
Body powder  
Men's cologne sets or aftershave  
Ladies' cologne sets or body spray  
Nail polish, lipstick, compact, blush, eye shadow

### SOAP-TYPE BODY CLEANERS

Bath and shower gel  
Soap-free body wash

### GROOMING AIDS

Fingernail brushes  
Emery boards  
Hairbrushes and combs  
Combs and brushes for Black hair  
Headbands (covered)  
Barrettes (metal)  
Clip-on hair bows  
Ponytails bands (coated or covered)  
Blow dryers, curling irons, etc.

### TOYS AND GAMES

Stuffed animals (safety standards quality with non-choking ornamentation, washable)  
See-n-Says  
Plastic cars, trucks, airplanes  
Matchbox type trucks and cars  
Baby dolls, Barbie dolls, porcelain dolls  
Picture Books (infant and toddler level, preferably with thick pages)  
Velcro dart games  
Ring toss games  
Basketballs  
Soccer balls  
Football  
Balls of all sizes (especially the kind found in bins in grocery stores)  
Stacking rings  
Playing cards of any kind, (UNO, matching, go fish, etc.)  
Posters (athletes, animals, movie/music/TV stars, men or women, cars)  
Music boxes, small musical instruments  
Talking books, Musical books  
Puzzles (4-5 pcs, wooden with or without knobs, textured & musical)

### ELECTRIC OR BATTERY-OPERATED ITEMS

Walkman-type radios, CD and audio cassette players with batteries  
Batteries of all sizes  
Boom box (small)  
Electric keyboards (small)  
Battery operated toys (cars, animals, etc.)

### ARTS AND CRAFTS

Crayons  
Coloring books (simple)  
Colored pencils  
Washable markers, magic markers (all sizes)  
Construction paper  
Drawing tablets  
Acrylic paint for T-shirt painting  
Glitter or glitter sticks  
Silk flowers  
Elmer's type glue  
Paintbrushes for artwork  
Sponges for sponge art  
T-shirts/sweatshirts in **SOLID** colors (**ADULT** sizes M, L, XL) for painting  
Art stamps, ink pads

Crepe paper

Craft sticks

### FOODS

Candy, soft-type only  
Crackers  
Salty snacks, such as cheese puffs  
Cookies  
6-packs of canned drinks (preferably caffeine-free; diet)  
Popcorn (microwave)  
Sugar free snacks  
Coffee (instant and ground)

### UNIT GIFTS

Boom Boxes and CD players  
Televisions, DVD players and VCR's  
Ice Cream Freezers  
DVD/VHS movies (PG-PG13)  
Computers (Windows/XP capable)

### SENSORY ITEMS

Lava lamps  
Koosh ball (all types)  
Hand-held items that make noise & light up  
Bumble balls  
Rainsticks

Remember all donations are tax-deductible.  
Please make checks payable to:

**Friends of Murdoch Christmas Club**

and mail to:

**Volunteer Services**

**P.O. Box 3000**

**1600 East C Street**

**Butner, North Carolina 27509-3000**

If you need more information, please call the

**Volunteer Services Department,**

**Monday-Friday 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM**

**(919) 575-1090**

## Murdoch Developmental Center

Murdoch Developmental Center in Butner is one of North Carolina's three regional mental retardation centers operated by the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services of the Department of Health and Human Services. Murdoch Center provides comprehensive residential care for about 550 individuals from 25 counties in the state's North Central Region: Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Davie, Durham, Forsyth, Franklin, Granville, Guilford, Iredell, Orange, Person, Rockingham, Stokes, Surry, Vance, Warren, and Yadkin.



### OPERATION SANTA CLAUS

Our individuals range in age from 10 to 90 years. Many of the elderly clients' family members have passed away, while other individuals have no outside contact at all. Each year volunteer Services begin working in July to ensure that every individual at Murdoch Dev. Center receives presents on Christmas morning. Coordination of the Operation Santa Claus Project, which covers the 25-county area, which we serve, is a monumental task. The success of our program depends totally upon our fundraising efforts, individual sponsors, and undesignated gift items donated by the community. The efforts of Murdoch Center supporters are truly needed and appreciated.



## Ways to Participate in Friends of Murdoch Christmas Club

Individuals, businesses, church groups, and civic organizations assist in making Christmas a very happy and memorable occasion. There are number of ways in which you may participate in this program:

1. Sponsor an individual(s) and purchase gifts from their wish list and deliver to Volunteer Services.
2. Sponsor an individual(s) with a monetary donation and Volunteer Services will purchase gifts for you.
3. Make a monetary contribution to the Friends of Murdoch Christmas Club for use in a general fund for all individuals.
4. Make a material donation of undesignated items to supplement gift packages. (See list)

There are several guidelines, which will help you to help us. Because we have such a large population to serve, we need gifts and donations to arrive by December 1<sup>st</sup>. Since Christmas is a very special time of year, we ask that all items be **NEW**. We prefer that you **NOT WRAP YOUR GIFTS**. Volunteer Services will be happy to provide wrapping for all gifts during the holiday season.

Remember all donations are tax-deductible. Please make checks payable to Friends of Murdoch Christmas Club and mail c/o Volunteer Services, P.O. Box 3000, 1600 East C Street, Butner, North Carolina 27509-3000. If you need more information, please call the Volunteer Services Department Monday-Friday 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM (919) 575-1090.

## FRIENDS OF MURDOCH CHRISTMAS CLUB



Each Murdoch Center individual enjoys opening Christmas gifts provided by Operation Santa Claus which is supported by your donations to the Friends of Murdoch Christmas Club