

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 1st. 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