



End of Year Donated Gifts

1st – 7th December 2020

Overview

Thank you for your interest in supporting the Alannah & Madeline Foundation this year. We are very grateful that your organisation has expressed an interest in supporting the children in our programs. We will ensure that the gifts you are donating are given directly to children and families that we work with in our Care programs.

Programs Who Will Benefit

Our Care programs support children who have witnessed or experienced significant trauma or violence.

These programs include:

- **Trauma Consultancy Service (TraCS)** helps teachers and educators working with children affected by trauma to understand challenging behaviours being exhibited by children affected by trauma and how best to support and respond to them.
- **Children Ahead** provides intensive, therapeutic support for children and young people aged up to 18 years to assist with their recovery from significant trauma or violence.
- **The Cubby House** is an Australian-first initiative that provides a supportive and safe haven for children and young people dealing with traumatic family situations in the Broadmeadows and Melbourne Children's Courts.
- **Buddy Bags** works with refuges and emergency- and out of home care providers (including foster care and kinship care) who offer emergency placement and to tens of thousands of vulnerable children each year. Often they arrive with nothing more than the clothes they are wearing. Buddy Bags contain items such as a toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, pillowcase, facewisher, PJs, underwear and socks, as well as a book, photo frame and the all-important teddy bear.

Individual Cases

The following children and families are currently in our programs and are among the families that will benefit from your generous donation.

Name	Gender	Age		Name	Gender	Age
Bohdi	Male	6		Reece	Male	8
Jordyn	Female	8		Longasai	Male	14
Laylah	Female	4		Ngalu	Female	12
Aaliyah	Female	1		Havea:	Male	8
Charlene	Female	10		Litea	Female	5
Breanna	Female	5		Sione	Male	3
Bul	Male	7		Viliami	Male	18 months
Mac	Male	2		Julian	Male	13
Lavina	Female	4		Hamed	Male	7
Abak	Female	7		Hanieh	Female	10
Thom	Male	12		Mahdi	Male	12
Ofa	Female	12		Nalha	Female	11
Soni	Male	16		James	Male	5
Nota	Male	7		Ezekial	Male	4
Ana	Female	1		Anon	Male	1
Eboni	Female	12		Anon	Male	12
David	Male	14		Anon	Male	11
Dakota	Female	7		Anon	Male	3
Jye	Male	10		Anon	Female	10
Nakitta	Female	12		Anon	Female	1
Nathan	Male	12		Anon	Female	6
Blake	Male	16		Anon	Male	7
Jarrood	Male	14		Anon	Male	13
Daniel	Male	8		Anon	Female	14
Shontayne	Female	14		Anon	Female	12

Donations We Would Appreciate

For the children: we would welcome donations of gifts, unwrapped or in gift bags for the children listed above.

Please ensure the gifts are clearly marked with the child's name and the gift is appropriate for their age group. Examples of gifts that we recommend include:

- 1-5 years- board or picture books, puzzles, plush toys, Duplo or other blocks
- 6-12 years- picture books or novels, puzzles, dolls, cars, board games, activity sets, art and craft, Lego sets (Lego Friends for girls), Smiggle
- 13 years plus- our most in need gifts. Most kids in this age range enjoy purchasing their own gifts so gift cards are extremely appreciated. Suitable stores include Rebel Sports, JB Hi-Fi, Cotton On, Footlocker, Smiggle, Myer or David Jones etc
- If gift cards are not preferred by donor then other options for gifts include makeup packs/bags, personal care packs (including deodorant, after shave etc), board games, jewellery, stationery packs, head-phones, beach towels,
- Gift cards

For the families: we would welcome donations of food and games for the families to enjoy together this holiday season. Examples of family hamper items that we recommend include:

- Biscuits (including shortbread)
- Fruit Cake
- Chocolates
- Crackers/Bon bons
- Nice jams or spreads
- Dried crackers or biscuits
- Board games or outdoor games sets (eg Cricket or tennis sets)
- Gift cards
- Picnic sets

Please note not all the families in our programs may celebrate Christmas, so we ask that the items donated are not branded as Christmas-specific.

How you can donate

Due to Covid restrictions, we will have limited timeslots available to visit the Alannah & Madeline Foundation offices to drop off your generous donations. We ask that donated items are grouped together and brought in as one delivery – in coordination with your relationship manager (who will assign a time for someone to meet you at the office)

We will be working to deliver these items to our families during the second week of December (7th – 14th December) so please ask your team to donate their items by the first week of December.

How you can promote your support to your networks

We understand that you are excited to share about the generosity of your staff during this time, we just ask that you send your relationship manager a copy of the collateral you are publishing beforehand for our approval.

Please note: that we work to keep the identities of our children and their families private as a main priority, their identity or identifying features should never be shared publicly.

Lastly, we hope that your customers/ partners /networks are excited about this event. If you have connections with an organisation that you believe would be interested in connecting with the Alannah & Madeline Foundation, please contact partnerships@amf.org.au