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## Hi Cowtown,

Looking forward to seeing you all in a few days. I just wanted to send off a little reminder about the Cooks Children's Kid's Closet Collection Campaign that is currently underway at Cowtown Corvettes. This is an easy way for you to help some needy children during a difficult time - hospitalization! It's easy, simple and really appreciated. I just have a vision that if everyone brought just 1 item we'd have well over 100 items to donate. That seems really reasonable. If you just don't have the time to shop, but want to participate, you can donate funds and I will be happy to make the most of it. For example, I found a rack of summer stuff on sale at Target one day for 90% off (yes 90%). I got about 10 pairs of kids pull on shorts for 40 cents each! I saw a cart full of new colored t-shirts at Albertsons for \$1 each. It's that time of year, so keep your eye out.

To help make your participation as easy as possible, there are lots of ways we can help make a child's hospital stay more pleasant. They are as follows:

1) The standard <u>Kid's Closet Wish List</u> includes items that are needed by kids of all ages. Often times they arrived at the hospital under emergency conditions and are just not prepared for an extended stay, or the family could really use some assistance to make hospital ends meet. These items are basic necessities. Anyway, here's the list for that. All must be new.

- o Combs or hairbrushes
- o Deodorant
- Elastic Waist pants or shorts (no drawstrings)
- Sweat suits
- o T shirts
- Infant or toddler pajamas
- o Sleepers
- Socks (all sizes)
- Sports bras (all sizes)
- Underwear (all sizes)

2) There are a lot of activities for the kids at Cooks. I know, Casey once was hospitalized there for a week, and they have crafts and very nice activities. Anyway, each season they prioritize the needs of the Kid's department. So, this is their <u>Fall/Winter Children's Center Wish List</u>. All must be new.

- Infant and Toddler "light up" Toys
- o Preschool toys (Mr Potato Head, Rescue Heroes, Play-doh, Viewmaster, etc)
- Board and Card games (especially games for those 8 years and older; for example, Life, Sorry, Trouble, Connect Four, Jenga, Cranium, Uno, etc)
- Teen Gifts (scrapbooking sets, nail polish sets, collectable cars, frames, holiday or "fun" pajamas and pillow cases, gift cards, sporting goods, disposable
  cameras, CD players, etc.)
- o Craft Kits (Spin Art, Fuzzy Posters, Model Cars, Home Depot Wood kits, Beading Kits, Paint-by-

Numbers, etc.)

- o Craft Supplies (Fiskar student scissors, construction paper, glue or glue sticks, pipecleaners, etc.)
- Stamps and Phone Cards (so families can stay in touch with loved ones at home)
- Photo paper and Polaroid 600 Series Film (to help document the fun events)
- $\circ~$  Game Boy systems and games
- $\,\circ\,$  New or Used DVDs of popular movies (G or PG rating only)
- o Bubbles and no-spill bubble tumblers
- o Scrapbooking supplies (books, stickers, etc.)
- o Music tapes and CDs (Iullabies, children's music, teen music, etc.)

3) You can create a <u>Hope Chest</u>. This is a very cool way to bundle your donation into a specific need. I've attached a brochure outlining the options which are:

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- o Baby Hope Chest
- o Teen Hope Chest
- o Clothing Hope Chest
- o Comfort Hope Chest
- o Distraction Hope Chest
- o "Little Things" Hope Chest
- Outpatient Hope Chest
- School Hope Chest
- Spanish language Hope Chest
- Game Day Hope Chest

Please consider some sort of donation - and remember, each person who donates gets a FREE 50/50 raffle ticket!

Blessed Regards, Barb 972-338-8133

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