

HOW TO ORGANIZE A COLLECTION DRIVE

Operation Gratitude annually sends 200,000+ Care Packages to Deployed Troops, New Recruits, Veterans, First Responders, Wounded Heroes & their Care Givers. We need your donations to show our Heroes they are not alone!



Holding a Collection Drive for Operation Gratitude is an active and fun way for your friends, neighbors, co-workers or organization to show support for all who serve!

To Start Your Collection Drive:

- Notify your constituency of the dates, times, and location of the collection drive.
- Specify what items you will accept. (Some suggestions can be found in the Wish List to the right.)
- Encourage donors to include personal letters of appreciation. These are often the most cherished items in our care packages.

WISH LIST

- Knit Hats & Scarves
- Cool Ties or Neck Gators
- Beanie Babies, Webkinz, Trolls, or other small plush toys
- Paracord Survival Bracelets
- Socks
- Mini battery-powered fans
- Mini Flashlights
- Batteries (AA & AAA, 4pack or less)
- Gum, Mints, Breath Strips
- Personal Electronics
 - iPods
 - DVDs
 - CDs
 - Video Games
 - Flash Drives
 - Earbuds
 - Used cell phones/PDAs
- Gift Cards to chain stores, such as:
 - Walmart
 - Walgreens
 - Target
 - VISA
 - MasterCard
 - American Express
- Personal Care Products
 - Lip Balm/Chapstick
 - Toothpaste / Dental Floss
 - Toothbrushes
 - Deodorant (solid only, 3oz or less)
 - Disposable Razors (Packs of 5 or less)
 - Non-aerosol Shaving Gel in tubes
 - Individual packets of moist towelettes (30 wipes or less)
 - Hand/Foot Warmers
 - Foot powder (travel size)
 - Q-Tips (small packs, 50 or less)
 - Facial tissue (small packs)
 - Mini Sewing Kits
- Unused greeting cards or stationery
- Operation Gratitude "Wish List" items on [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)



We welcome your donations year-round!

**All donated items must have a shelf-life/expiration date of at least 6 months from the date of our receipt. Thank you for your understanding of this important requirement.*

Ship all product donations to:

OPERATION GRATITUDE
21100 Lassen Street
Chatsworth, CA 91311
ATTN: Collection Drive

* Please download, fill out and include a [Donation Form](#) in each box you send to us.
(Form is on our website)

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