

Top ten donation items needed for Women's Housing:

1. **Bedding** – blankets, sheets, pillows, air mattresses with pump
2. **Towels** – bath (body, hair, hand, and face) and kitchen towels (tea towels and dish cloths)
3. **Dish sets/dining sets** – plates, bowls, cups, glasses, and cutlery
4. **Cookware** – pots, pans, kitchen utensils, and baking dishes
5. **Clothes** – especially socks, underwear, and pj's for women and children
6. **Outerwear** – jackets, shoes, mittens, scarves, toques, and boots
7. **Baby & Toddler Needs** – diapers, pull-ups, formula, baby & toddler food, bottles, soothers, blankets, bibs, diaper bags
8. **Cleaning supplies** – multipurpose cleaners, brooms and mops, rags, cleaning cloths, dusting cloths, mop buckets, and laundry detergent
9. **Self-care items** – make-up (especially cover up) and nail polish
10. **School and craft supplies** – backpacks, note books, binders, colouring books, markers, crayons, glue, beads, construction paper, paint, pens, and pencils

For Kids (all ages 0-17, all genders)

- Books (for all ages 0-17, all genders, cultural story books are welcomed)
- Tonka, Fisher Price, and Little Tikes toys
- Sporting equipment - football, basketball, Frisbee, soccer ball, jump rope
- Board games
- Crafting activities

Other helpful items:

- Gift cards: for haircuts, groceries, gas, coffee, meals, movies, calling cards, activity passes
- Personal hygiene products: body wash, bubble bath, shampoo, conditioner,
- toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, brushes, lotion, and deodorant
- Feminine hygiene products: tampons, pads, and panty liners
- Duffle bags, suitcases, handbags, purses, and wallets
- Birthday supplies – candles, balloons, party hats
- Small kitchen appliances – toasters, microwaves, toasters, electric frying pans,
- griddles, and kettles
- Journals and day planners
- Alarm clocks
- Lamps
- Non-perishable food items – canned and dry goods
- Paper plates
- Batteries

Furniture

Furniture donations are needed and appreciated. Please contact one of the programs to arrange delivery. For some smaller items, with adequate notice, we may be able to pick up.

Other neat ideas:

(These ideas are courtesy of other donors. These are ideas and suggestions for donations, please feel free to modify with your own ideas.)

- **Gift Baskets**
 - Kitchen Start up- some cooking utensils, dish cloths, dish towels, spices, and condiments
 - For the Baby - including some baby items and perhaps a gift card for mom to purchase some needed items.
 - Cleaning supplies - including dish detergent, laundry detergent/fabric softener, all-purpose cleaners, paper towels, or reusable cloths/rags
 - Bathroom kits - toilet paper, small garbage can, toilet brush, towels/face cloths.
 - Crafts for kids - craft supplies, scissors, glue, coloring books/crayons, etc.
 - Bath/spa baskets for women - including bath products, slippers, make-up, journals.
- **Purses or backpacks**
 - Gently used purses or backpacks with some personal hygiene items, perhaps a journal, gift card, movie card, card for a haircut, or scarves or mitts (depending on the weather)
- **Cookie Baking set** - cookie sheet, spatula, cookie mix, icing or chocolate chips