



Lincoln School is Proud to Support Cradles to Crayons!

Chicago is home to world-renowned educational resources, businesses and industries, arts and cultural institutions, and wealth. It is also a place with stark divides in income: Illinois ranks sixth among all 50 states for inequality, measured by the disparity between the top 5% and bottom 20% of earners (*Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, 2015).

Despite a strongly rebounding regional economy, more than 180,000 children in Chicago continue to live in low-income homes. There are no government programs dedicated to ensuring that children have such basics as clothing or hygiene products. Since 2016, Cradles to Crayons has stepped up to fill this need in Chicago.

Cradles to Crayons is in desperate need of the following items – by January 19th:

- Winter essentials (boots, coats)
- Books, toys and boys pants

Please consider donating these or other items needed. A collection bin is located outside the main office.

Thank you!



New or Gently Used

Only New

Clothing Nursery Items Coats Shoes Toys Books	Socks Pajamas Underwear Baby Hygiene Items Art Supplies School Supplies
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Serving Chicagoland Children in Need

To learn more, email us at communitychicago@cradlestocrayons.org

Cradles toCrayons

Our KidPacks are hand-selected with great care to meet a boy or girl's specific wants and needs. We accept a wide range of new and like-new items for children age 12 and under—and maintain a standard of quality that ensures each child feels valued and dignified.

Please review the following guidelines to make sure your donations go to good use.

Clothing

- Bottoms, tops, outerwear, accessories
- Children's sizes 0-20 and child-appropriate adult clothing sizes S-M
- New socks, underwear and pajamas

Shoes

- Sneakers, sandals, and boots
- Please attach matched pairs with rubber bands

Books

- Board books, picture books, easy readers, early chapter books, foreign language books
- Most needed: baby books ages 0-2
- **PLEASE NO** family, religious, or holiday books



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Donation Guidelines

Toys, Arts & Crafts, and School Supplies

- New markers, crayons, school supplies, stamps, craft kits, clay and dough, paper crafts, painting supplies, activity and coloring books
- Should be cleaned and contain all pieces, instructions and batteries (if required)
- Infant toys and toys for ages 7-12
- **PLEASE NO** stuffed animals, videos, computer games, violent toys, big plastic toys, riding toys, playhouse kitchens, and table and chair sets

Baby Gear

- We accept a variety of like-new baby gear including: strollers, car seats, swings, and pack'n'plays
- All equipment must be less than 5 years old, in perfect working order, with manufacturer's instructions and have all hardware and attachments
- Package hardware and attachments in a ziplock bag and attach equipment
- If batteries are required, discard old batteries and include new ones
- **PLEASE NO** cribs or furniture

New Baby Supplies

- New safety, feeding, bedding, diapering and health supplies

New Hygiene

- New soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes

Questions? Email us at communitychicago@cradlestocrayons.org