



“Christmas in Camouflage” Care Package Collection

Help us Make a Difference for U. S. Soldiers Deployed Overseas for the Holidays!

Dear Students, Families, & Our Community,

From November 10th, 2025 through December 15th, 2025, our community will be collecting supplies and letters to send to United States soldiers who are deployed overseas this holiday season. These soldiers will be away from their homes and families for the holidays, and our goal is to fill as many packages as possible with various items that will remind these soldiers of our support and give them a little piece of home while they are so far away. Our collection will help give back to the men and women who make the ultimate sacrifices to protect our freedom each and every day.

You can send donations to school with your child or drop them off at the Lloyd Road Elementary School (401 Lloyd Rd. Matawan, NJ 07747). We will also have several other collection sites in neighboring towns. For more information regarding the 2025 donation locations, please visit Christmas in Camouflage on Facebook, or contact us directly at christmasincamouflage1@gmail.com.

Attached you will find a list of suggested items for donation that soldiers may need/want.

We thank you in advance for all of your help and support! Each and every donation will contribute to the needs of our brave U.S. soldiers and help them feel a little bit closer to home during this holiday season.

We wish you a Merry Christmas... In Camouflage!

The Christmas in Camouflage Team

What to Send:

Food and Drink:

- Drink Mixes (Tea Bags, Mio, Hot Chocolate Mix, Etc.)
- Meal Enhancers (Seasoning, Condiments, Etc.)
- Protein/Energy Bars, Beef jerky, Protein powder
- Snacks (Protein/Energy Bars, Beef jerky, Protein Powder, Small/Hard Containers of Chips, Pretzels, nuts, Snack Cakes, Cheese Crackers, Cookies, Etc.)
- Candy and Gum

Personal Care and Clothing:

- Toiletries (Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Dental Floss, Cotton Swabs, Shaving Lotion, Disposable Razors, Shampoo, Individually Packaged Tissues, Etc.)
- Personal care (Individually Packaged Baby Wipes, Eye Drops, Lip Balm, Lotion, Aspirin, Other Pain Relievers, Foot Powder, Etc.)
- Disposable Hand-Warmers
- Goggle-style Sunglasses
- Cotton Socks and Underwear

Entertainment and Communication:

- Word Games/Puzzles (Crosswords, Sudoku, Word Searches, Jigsaws, Etc.)
- Games (Foam Footballs and Basketballs, Frisbees, Hacky Sacks, Playing Cards, Yo-Yos, Etc.)
- Electronics (Portable DVD Player, CD Player, DVDs, CDs, Handheld Electronic Games, Etc.)
- Batteries (Size AA, AAA, and D are MOST in need)
- Disposable Cameras
- Writing material (Notepaper, Envelopes, Pens, Pencils, Stamps, Etc.)

Reminders of Home:

- Letters and Artwork
- Local newspaper articles
- Homemade Goodies (Cookies, Brownies - Please Pack and Seal Tightly)

What NOT to Send:

- Alcohol
- Heavy/Bulky Items
- Glass/Fragile items
- Pork or Pork by-products\
- Obscene materials, Political materials, or Religious materials
- Aerosol Cans/Sprays or Pressurized Bags
- Canned Goods (Soups, Beans, Etc.) or Easily Meltable Foods
- Shaving Creams/Gels (Restricted in Select Countries/Territories.)

