

Wish List for the Downtown Women's Center

Priorities are in purple



Art Materials

Picture frames - all sizes
Button maker

Canvases

Other art materials

Books

Puzzle books
Novels
Magazine subscriptions (call us for a current list of desired periodicals)
Intermediate ESL materials



Office Supplies

Rolls of stamps

Color Laser Printer - New only
Toners (please call us for appropriate type)

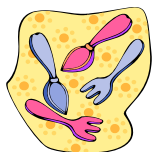
Reams of paper (white or

colored)

White Board Markers(Dry Erase)
Cardstock
Pens and pencils
In-box trays
Folders and binders
Labels
Staplers and hole-punchers
Paper clips and rubber bands
Walki-talkies



Household Items



Canned Cat Food (Wellness or Trader Joe's)
Cat Litter (Trader Joe's Pine)
Dish Rags
Sponges

Towels-new
Umbrellas
Dish Soap
Batteries-all sizes
Paper Products (plates, napkins, cups)
All silverware
Emergency preparedness kits
Plastic Silverware
Toilet Paper

Bottled Water

Emergency flashlight/radios
47 Flashlights- 5-year shelf-life
8 Walkie Talkies
2 Battery operated Radio and TV

Furniture

Portable Fans
Full-size sheets for Residents - new only
Twin-size sheets for Day Center beds - used or new
Blankets-new
Apartment/Dorm-Size Refrigerators
Podium
Projection screen

Medical Care

Toothbrushes
Travel-size toothpaste
Tampons

Adult incontinence products

Maxi-pads

First-Aid Emergency Kits

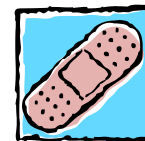
Deodorant
Band-Aids

Advil/Tylenol/Aspirin (in sealed packages)

Non- Drowsy Cold medicine: Dayquil (or generic) capsules and cough syrup (in sealed packages)

Sunscreen

Hair brushes



Women's Clothing - Used or New

All women's clothing -clean condition, please
Professional wear
T-Shirts
Cold weather gear
Rain slickers/ponchos
Gloves
Shoes - especially larger sizes
New Socks
New underwear
Bras and sports bras
Sweat suits





Birthday Gifts

Volunteer members of the [DWC Birthday Guild](#) celebrate every woman's birthday with a gift* from DWC! Re-gifting is encouraged! Here are some ideas:

- Bath robes
- Boom Boxes and Personal Stereos
- Clock radios (or other clocks)
- Gift cards to local businesses (Rite Aid, Starbucks, Subway, Ralphs)
- Jewelry
- Jewelry Boxes
- Nice clothes such as pajama sets, sweater twin sets, or nice lounging sets (like those velour sets with elastic waists and either a zip up hoodie or pull-over top), matching coordinates
- Perfume
- Picture frames
- Purses and tote bags
- Rolling Luggage
- Generally - new Birthday Gifts (\$40-\$50). Something you would give a mother or grandmother
- Re-gifting - something you received that is perfectly nice, just not your style. Or something you bought for someone else but never gave. Or new clothing that you realize later doesn't fit you right.
- Bakers/bakeries can arrange to make cakes for the celebration
- Florists/people who like flowers can arrange to deliver flower to the women
- Birthday-themed plates/napkins/cups for 50
- Streamers or other birthday decorations

**We request new items for gift giving.*

Other

Transportation Van

Tickets (Tickets to cultural events or outings that are not normally available to persons living in poverty are always welcomed. This may include tickets to the movies, theatre or for bowling as well as restaurant gift certificates. Outings/fieldtrips are important at the Center as it allows an opportunity for the women to socialize and decrease isolation. Groups can range from 6-50 women. Donation of items for use at our fundraising events is also welcomed and may include restaurant gift certificates, tickets to movies, sports games, theatre, or even a donation of a house/cabin for 3 days in the local mountains or beach. Please contact DWC for additional information.)

- Bus Passes
- Tote bags
- Rolling Luggage

Things we cannot accept

Candles! (Not allowed in Residence) Incense

Auction Items

[DWC's Annual Gala and Fundraising Auction](#) is held each September at the Music Center at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in downtown Los Angeles. Save the Date for the 2009 Gala tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 21st at 6 pm. 100% of proceeds raised through our live auction, silent auction, and raffle support our direct services and programs for homeless women on Skid Row. Auction donations are accepted February through August each year. Please contact Development Associate Amber Sheikh at (213) 680-0600 if you are interested in donating items to the Gala. Auction donors are acknowledged in our Gala program distributed to approximately 400 guests!

Hot List of Desired Auctions Items

- Restaurant gift certificates
- New DVDs
- Sports tickets and memorabilia (new only)
- Spa Certificates for massages, body treatments, salon services
- Tickets to California museums, attractions, events, and shows
- Hotel stays nationwide
- Airplane tickets
- Travel packages
- Luxury items

Donations to the Food Bank

If you would like to donate groceries to the Center's food bank, you can order at Vons.com, and the store will deliver the order directly to us! In fact, the Downtown Women's Center receives a donation each time someone clicks on this Vons logo to place a grocery order. So, if you shop for groceries online - whether it's for yourself or for donation to DWC - please help DWC's fundraising efforts and access Vons by clicking the Vons Link on the DWC's How You Can Help page.

You can also continue to drop donations off directly at the Day Center. The Downtown Women's Center will utilize all canned and boxed food. However, our policy does not allow us to distribute dented canned food, or food on which the dates have expired. Canned food is used for emergency and holiday distribution in our community, as well as for daily breakfast, lunch and afternoon snack food preparation at the Center.

Canned/boxed Food Donations Wish List

Tuna snack packs
Soups
Canned vegetables
Tomato Sauces
Pasta
Pancake/waffle mix
Canned beef stew
Canned pudding
Individual applesauce
Sardines
Canned Beans
Cheese/peanut butter with cracker



Handi-snacks
Granola Bars and Nutrition Bars
Turkeys, Roasts and Hams
Frozen Entrees (Lasagnas)
Meat: chicken, beef, pork, fish, etc.
Biscuit Mix/Bisquick
Rice
Canned Milk
Syrup
Pop-top fruit cocktail
Instant potatoes

Bottled water and juices
Chips
Crackers
Sugar
Stuffing mix
Peanut butter and Jelly
Decaffeinated Coffee
Spices
Cake mixes and frosting
Olive or vegetable oil
Frozen vegetables



Wish list last updated May 2009