

Some Frequently Asked Questions

“I have spent a lot of money on the contents – must I give £2 for transport?”

The £2 is needed to buy sweets for children, washing powder for adults as well as pay the transport costs. We rely on you to give that £2 transport donation to help us deliver your shoebox to a needy recipient (along with sweets for children & washing powder for adults).

“Must the clothing be new?”

It needs to be new or genuinely as good as new as these boxes are gifts (probably the recipient's only gift this Christmas)

“Why must children's boxes be unisex? Why not for a girl or a boy?”

The social workers find it much easier to distribute boxes that are not gender specific also it avoids running out of one type of box, which causes the children great distress.

“Will anything be taken out of my box?”

We search for and remove the transport donation (please put inside the box). We ADD anything vital if we see it is missing. We will remove anything if dirty, incomplete, unsafe, etc.

“What about boxes for babies & toddlers and also Teacher boxes?”

Please contact us early if you want to pack for these groups. We expect a small number of requests for these boxes, & want to match boxes packed with the requests as much as possible.

Last year we sent 3074 shoeboxes from Jersey to Romania

NOT JUST SHOEBOXES

Among the poorest of the poor who receive a shoebox, some could starve or freeze to death. We invite you to give money for our **BREAD & FOOD & WINTER FUEL APPEALS**. We purchase the food and fuel in Romania with the donated money. We distribute to those most in need. We also help with **medical needs**. (See the reply slip)

ARE YOU SHORT OF TIME?

We will be happy to decorate the box, purchase the contents, pack the box, and send it, so long as we receive your donation of **£22 PER SHOEBOX**. Please use the reply slip and send with your donation to the address below as soon as possible.

If you want to receive a NEWSLETTER about the distribution and plans for 2020 shoebox appeal please fill in your preferred contact details. PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY

Please make cheques payable to
MUSTARD SEED JERSEY.

Mustard Seed Jersey,
Cardiff House, La Ruelle du Coin Varin,
St Peter, Jersey JE3 7EJ.
Tel 01534 482637
Email: mustardseedjersey@yahoo.co.uk
Website: www.mustardseed.org.je
Facebook:
www.facebook.com/mustardseedjsy

MUSTARD SEED JERSEY INVITES YOU TO PACK A CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX



Your help makes a difference!
It could mean having a
Christmas gift in 2019.

REPLY SLIP

I have packed shoeboxes
@ £2 for transport so I enclose £.....

Donation to buy bread / food £.....

Donation to buy winter fuel £.....

Donation for medical needs £.....

General donation £

Please pack shoebox for me
@ £22 per box £.....

Please post me a newsletter
I include £1 to cover postage £.....

Total money included £.....

*If you want to hear about the distribution in
December 2019 and our Christmas shoebox
appeal for 2020, please request a newsletter.*

**Please only include your contact details if you
want to hear from us by post or email.**

Email address

Name & Postal Address for Newsletter:

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What To Do for All Boxes

GET A SHOEBOX (nothing larger than
men's shoe size 9 / 43 please – *for Married
Couple you can go up to 12 / 47*)

DECORATE the base and top separately
(maybe with Christmas paper).

DECIDE on AGE-GROUP - Child 3-6 or
Child 6-11 or Young Person 12-16 or for
Adults: Married Couple; Man or Woman

PURCHASE CONTENTS [please refer to
our list of suggested contents opposite
(items underlined are essential priority).

Arrange contents in shoebox.

Inside the box on top of the contents put
an envelope with YOUR REPLY SLIP and
TRANSPORT DONATION (£2 per box please).

Put LABEL on lid to indicate intended
recipient. Labels should read 3-6 or 6-11 or
12-16 or Married Couple or Man or Woman

SECURE box with rubber band or string -
this is really important - please do not seal.

If you pack several boxes and place reply
slip & all transport donations in one, please
indicate on other lids if no donation inside.

DELIVER TO COLLECTION PLACE (Parish
Halls or Les Quennevais Sports Centre).

Closing Date November 1st

SUGGESTED CONTENTS

Children's & Young People's Boxes

Clothing: minimum 2 items clothing (new or
good as new) hat, gloves, socks, scarf – size
appropriate to age-group.

Fun items (3-6: need 3-4; 6-11: need 2-3)

3-6: car, soft toy, toy animals, musical
instrument, mask, soft ball, etc

6-11: ball, car, small soft toy, marbles, bat
and ball set, musical instrument, etc

12-16: at least 1 fun item & 1 useful item:
marbles, pocket games, torch, mug
(must be well protected), etc

Paper to write on, notebook, etc.

Items to write with pencils, pens, crayons or
felt pens depending on age group, ruler, etc
For 6-11 & 12-16. Pens, pencils & sharpener

Toiletries: tooth brush & tooth paste only

In children's boxes Please do NOT include
sweets, liquids, other toiletries.

Adult Boxes

Clothing 2 or 3 items per person: socks,
gloves, hat, scarf.

Toiletries 1 toiletry item per person – packet
of bars of soap, bottle of body wash (liquids
well sealed) etc.

2-3 items of non perishable food per person
(pasta, rice, tinned foods)

Use by date must be AFTER JUNE 2020

2+ Useful items: torch, string, cutlery, mug,
umbrella, scissors, small tool set, comb, etc