MUST MINISTRIES

TOY SHOP

SERVING CHILDREN IN NORTH METRO COUNTIES

The Ultimate Guide to MUST Ministries Toy Shop

For more than 50 years MUST has and continues to serve thousands of neighbors in need, almost half of which are children. In the eyes of a child Christmas is magical, and seeing gifts under the tree is a dream come true for our clients. Many of our neighbors in need struggle through the year to make ends meet for their families and Christmas puts an extra strain on their already stretched budget. That's where MUST comes in with the generosity of our community we are able to offer the MUST Toy Shop, a small department store with one big exception, we don't charge for the items. Items are donated to MUST Ministries and we offer the parents a stress-free shopping experience. Parents are given the opportunity to hand-select items their children want for Christmas. What a precious gift we can give, all because you have supported MUST Ministries Toy Shop. This guide will give you the many ways you can get involved with MUST Ministries Toy Shop.

The most obvious things needed are gifts, while our title is Toy Shop we also have gifts of other types to make Christmas a cherished event in their memories.

HERE IS A LIST OF OTHER ITEMS NEEDED:

Books • Socks • Underwear • Games
• Puzzles • Coloring • Books • Blankets • School Supplies
• Pajamas • Wrapping Paper • Hats • Glove/Mittens
• Slippers • Stockings • Tape • Gift Tags (to and from)



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Elf Duties

(Volunteer Opportunities)

As you can imagine there is lots of work to be done to create and run a Toy Shop. Please consider grabbing a friend or two and sign up for one of the many opportunities surrounding MUST Toy Shop.

Toy Shop Set Up: This will give you a workout. We will unpack all the items that will go on the shelves at Toy Shop, decorate a tree or two or clean up the Toy Shop.

Toy Shop Shopping Shift: There are many opportunities to serve, most of which are face-to-face with our families.

Check-in Desk: You will greet the family and keep everyone in order by appointment. Must have a smile and be compassionate with our family's needs.

Shopper: You will greet and assist the family through the Toy Shop advising each of them on the availability of gifts for each child. You will be first face-to-face with our families for about 30 minutes.

Runners: You will assist families to their vehicles once all items are bagged and ready to go. Youth will need to work in pairs.

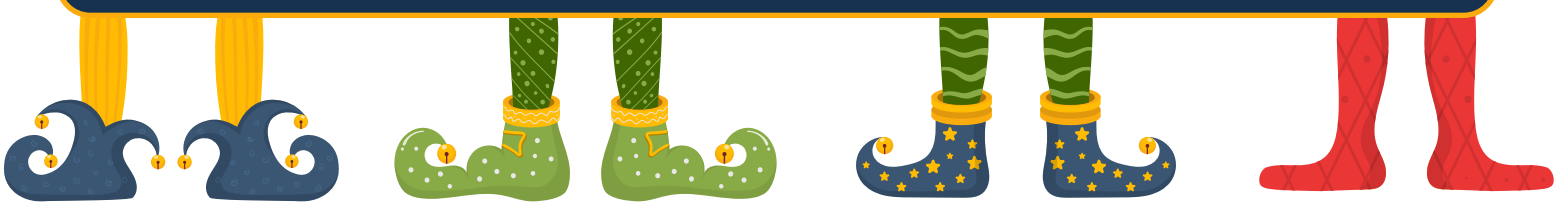
Check out: You will make sure the families have all items for each child, bag all items and retrieve any MUST Ministries paperwork.

Toy Shop Clean Up: This is more on the strenuous side of tasks but it is critical to what we do. You could use this as your workout session! We will be packing up the many items and boxing them for the following year.

Toy Shop Restock: Help restock shelves when the store is closed by unpacking new inventory, sorting and organizing items by category, and placing new merchandise on shelves. This is a physically active opportunity that requires standing, walking, and lifting.

Please check our Volunteer Schedule:

https://vhub.at/MUSTtoyshop



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Special Interest Items Needed

FAMILY TIME
Board Games, Puzzles, Yard Games

CRAFTY CHRISTMAS
Coloring Books, Crayons, Colored Pencils, Art Supplies, Project Kits

COMFORT
Blankets (throw size is the perfect fit), Stuffed Animals, Squishmallows, Wearable Blanket Hoodies (Snuggies), Thick Fluffy Socks, Slippers, Pajamas (all ages)

TEENS/TWEENS
All things popular, Stanley Thermal Cups, Electronic Accessories, Art Sets, Teen Clothing, Hoodies, Jackets, Nerf

ESSENTIALS
Socks, Underwear, Bras, Hat, Gloves, Mittens (all sizes)

DOLLS
All styles of dolls, Ethnic dolls are needed most, Doll Accessories

LEGOS
All legos are appreciated, sets are best

BOOKS
Young Reader, Chapter Books, Special Interest

WRAPPING PAPER
Rolls and rolls needed

Create some friendly competition when collecting items or take your children shopping for another child they don't know.



PLEASE DELIVER OR MAIL ALL DONATIONS TO

MUST Ministries Donation Center
1280 Field Parkway
Marietta, GA 30066
Open Tuesday – Saturday 9-5

MUST Cherokee
111 Brown Industrial Parkway
Canton, GA 30114
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Please label all donations **Toy Shop**
to ensure the items go to the correct program within MUST Ministries.

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Group Projects

Projects you can do with your small group, book club, friends and neighbors:

Want to get a small group together to do something meaningful? Look over these Off-Site Projects and see what catches your eye.

WONDERLAND DEVELOPMENT

Use a 1- or 2-gallon clear Ziploc bag and place 3–5 school supply items appropriate for the same age group inside. Zip the bag closed and label it using a fun sticker or Sharpie: Preschool, Elementary, Middle School, or High School. Books should be grouped separately by reading level and subject, with two books of the same reading level and subject kept together outside the bags.

STUFF-A-STOCKING

Use a quart or gallon clear Ziploc bag and place 3-5 items in as a stocking for a child of the ages 0-5, 6-12, or 13-18. When using a clear bag, this makes it very easy for the parents to see what items are in the stocking.

BABY BOX

Some of our families aren't completed by registration time, which means mom will have a little one at Christmas and we wouldn't want to forget about them. Place baby necessities in a box, basket or gift/diaper bag.

CHRISTMAS WISHES

Handmade Christmas cards – English and Spanish. Sign ONLY first name.

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Popular items that are great donations for MUST Ministries Toy Shop

Art Sets • Bicycles • Furby • Matchbox Dolls (all Ethnics) • Legos • Jewelry (teens)
Hoodies (Adult sizes for teens) • R/C Cars • Star Wars • Bluey • EarBuds • Pokemon
Sports Equipment • Scooters • Marvel/Avengers • Harry Potter • Skateboards
LOL Dolls • Mega Blocks • Disney • LED Makeup Mirrors • BlueTooth Speakers
Big Wheels • Action Figures • Leap Frog • Purses (teens) • Wallets (teens) • Make Up
Owala Cups • Helmets • Baby Alive Stuffed Animals • Play Kitchens • Kitchen Accessories
Barbie Houses • Doll Houses • Baby Toys • Walkers • Squishmallows • Bubbles



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MUST Toy Shop is serving families in **Cobb and Cherokee Counties.** Our goal is to make Christmas special for children while keeping the registration process as simple and accessible as possible.

To register and receive toys for your children,

please bring one document from EACH OF THE THREE CATEGORIES below.

We accept any of the listed documents.

1

Parent / Guardian ID
(Bring ONE)

- Driver's License or State ID
- Government-Issued Photo ID
- Passport

2

Proof of Current Residence
(Bring ONE Recent Document)

- Utility Bill
- Current Lease Agreement
- Government Correspondence
- Government Benefit Documentation
- School Enrollment Correspondence
- Pay Stub Showing Your Address
- Other Recently Mailed Correspondence

3

Verification of Child's Age
(Bring ONE per Child)

- Birth Certificate
- Passport
- Guardianship Paperwork
- Hospital Documentation of Birth
- Report Card
- School ID for 26–27 School Year
- School Attendance Notification
- Homeschool Declaration of Intent

Important Information

Please bring one document from each category whenever possible.

Please bring the requested documents with you to registration. If you have questions or are unsure about anything, don't worry—we'll be happy to help you at registration. We understand that every family's circumstances are different, and we are here to support you through the process.

REGISTRATION DATES

November 10 *through* 13, 2026

11:30 am – 2:00 pm & 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

TOWN CENTER MALL

400 Ernest Barrett Pkwy • Kennesaw, GA 30144

2nd floor across from Aeropostle