

# ADOPT-A-FAMILY

AT RAPHAEL HOUSE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

## SPREAD HOLIDAY CHEER TO FAMILIES IN NEED

Help families experiencing homelessness and low-income families enjoy a holiday season full of warmth and joy without putting their financial stability at risk. With generous support from contributors like you, Raphael House can provide gifts to families in need.



## HOW IT WORKS

**Step 1:** Sign up at [raphaelhouse.org/aaf](http://raphaelhouse.org/aaf) or email us at [adoptafamily@raphaelhouse.org](mailto:adoptafamily@raphaelhouse.org)

**Step 2:** We match you with a family and send you their wish list.

**Step 3:** You buy the gifts for families in need and deliver them to us unwrapped in December.

**Step 4:** We provide families with gift wrap. Gift wrapping material donations are welcome.

**Step 5:** Families pick up their gifts in mid-December and holiday cheer ensues!

## DROP-OFF DATES AT RAPHAEL HOUSE

December 8 — 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

December 10 — 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

December 11 — 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

MAKE A DIFFERENCE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON. GET INVOLVED AT  
**[RAPHAELHOUSE.ORG/AAF](http://RAPHAELHOUSE.ORG/AAF)**



**Raphael House**  
Inspiring Families.  
Illuminating Hope.

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### 1. What are the gift guidelines?

We kindly ask that all gifts are new, and donors should expect to spend \$100 per child as well as a family gift valued up to \$100. Please consider giving families a gift card for a holiday dinner from Safeway, Foods Co, or Target.

### 2. Are donors provided with a tax receipt?

Raphael House will provide a tax receipt on request, to be filled out and maintained by the donor. Our tax ID is 94-3141608.

### 3. Which families receive Adopt-a-Family gifts?

Families currently living in our Residential Shelter and families in our Bridge program are eligible to submit a wish list for Adopt-a-Family. Our Bridge program provides supportive services such as tutoring, career development, and resource referrals to families who have moved out of Raphael House.

### 4. Is Adopt-a-Family a denominational or religious program?

Adopt-a-Family is a seasonal gift drive. Raphael House serves a diverse range of families from a wide range of faiths and backgrounds.

### 5. How will I know what to purchase for a family?

Raphael House will match you with a family, or families, depending on your noted preferences. You will be sent a wish list with the names of the members of your matched family as well as a wish list for each child.

### 6. When and where do I drop off gifts?

Gifts can be dropped off at Raphael House at 1065 Sutter St. in San Francisco (at Larkin & Sutter) during several drop off dates in December. The drop off dates are: December 8 — 10:00 am - 2:00 pm; December 10 — 8:00 am - 7:00 pm; and December 11 — 8:00 am - 7:00 pm.

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (CONT'D)

### 7. Will donors meet the family or be able to hand the family their gifts?

For confidentiality reasons, donors are not able to meet with families. Gifts will be dropped off during our specified drop off hours and staff members will receive your gifts, make sure they are properly labeled, and organize them for the family to pick up at a later date.

### 8. What additional needs does Raphael House have around the holidays?

Raphael House maintains Amazon wish lists with our year-round and seasonal needs. These wish lists include new toys, books, children's clothing, and residential items such as bedding and cookware. For companies interested in hosting a large-scale gift drive, we can create a custom Amazon wish list to circulate within your company. Learn more at [raphaelhouse.org/give](https://raphaelhouse.org/give).

Additionally, we have volunteer opportunities during the holidays which include staffing the Adopt-a-Family drop-offs and pick-ups, and helping to wrap gifts. In addition, volunteer opportunities are available year-round for individuals and groups. Please contact Kellen Sarver at [ksarver@raphaelhouse.org](mailto:ksarver@raphaelhouse.org) or 415.345.7265 to learn more about our volunteer opportunities.

### 9. What is Raphael House's mission?

The mission of Raphael House is to help low-income families and families experiencing homelessness strengthen family bonds by achieving stable housing and financial independence.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF  
ADOPT-A-FAMILY AT RAPHAEL HOUSE!**