# **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: S**ign up by filling out and submitting <u>this</u> <u>form</u>.

**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 DATE AT RAPHAEL HOUSE Friday. December 6 — 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

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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 \$150 per child as well as a family gift valued up to \$150. 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. I don't have time to buy gift cards from different stores, but I'd like to participate. Can I make a direct donation to Adopt-A-Family?

We understand the holidays are busy, so leave the shopping to us! You can make a direct donation to our <u>Express Adopt-a-Family fund</u>. Your donations will support our Adopt-a-Family campaign, and may also be applied to supporting Raphael House programs and operations that provide shelter and supportive services to families experiencing homelessness.

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

Raphael House maintains <u>Amazon wish lists</u> 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.

For companies and groups interested in hosting a donation drive for gifts or needed items, we can create a custom Amazon wish list to circulate within your company. Please contact Meagan Matthews at mmatthews@raphaelhouse.org or 415-345-7267 to set up a group donation drive.

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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (CONT'D)

#### 5. 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.

#### 6. 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.

#### 7. 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.

#### 8. 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 the drop off date in December. The drop off date is: Friday December 6th, 8:00am-6:00pm

### 9. 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.

#### **10. 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.