

ADOPT-A-FAMILY

Frequently Asked Questions



The holidays are coming! Join us in providing hope this holiday season. Every year, through our Adopt-A-Family program, community members and local organizations come together to make the holiday very special for our clients and their families.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The program matches each donor with a client family of The Guidance Center. Families come from one of our three clinics: Long Beach, Compton and San Pedro. Adopted families come from all different backgrounds and face many challenges and hardships. We serve families of all sizes and truly appreciate adoptions of any of the families that we serve.

HOW DO I KNOW WHAT TO BUY?

This year, we ask that you purchase gift cards only. Our clients will benefit from gift cards to Target, Walmart, Northgate, Food for Less, a favorite restaurant, coffee or yogurt shop, and/or a Visa or Master Card gift cards. We'll provide you with a brief summary about the family to help you make your purchase(s).

Also, we ask that you create festive holiday cards for your adopted family. We encourage you to also include a heart-warming message in your card. Make it fun! Get the whole family involved.

HOW MUCH SHOULD I SPEND?

We ask that you spend whatever you are comfortable with and can afford. Any amount will be a tremendous help for one of our families.

WHEN SHOULD I DROP THE HOLIDAY CARD OFF?

To ensure safety for all, we are requiring that you sign up to drop off your gift on a designated date/time. Sign up information will be shared once you have been matched with a family. Deadline to drop off your gift is December 10th. ****IMPORTANT:** Our offices are closed 12/24/21 through 1/3/22.

WHERE SHOULD I DROP OFF THE GIFT CARD?

Please drop off your gifts and cards with our wonderful reception staff at our Long Beach headquarters. We are the bright green building located at 1301 Pine Ave. on the corner of Anaheim and Pine.

Due to client confidentiality and safety, you will not be able to meet the families in person.

CAN I MAKE A DONATION ONLINE?

Of course! If you would like to participate but are unable to shop for a gift card, you can make a donation of any amount and we will gift the family with a monetary gift card so they can go shopping on their own! Please visit tgclb.org/donate and select "Adopt-A-Family" in gift designation.