



Motivated by Christian faith,  
COBYS Family Services educates, supports  
and empowers children and adults  
to reach their full potential.

COBYS is grateful to churches and church groups who organize a drive to help “stock the closet” with supplies for our foster care and adoption children.

## Kids Closet Needs List

COBYS has one big closet for all of our kids. Each foster child coming into care receives a backpack filled with clothes, toys, personal care items, a Bible and more. The Closet allows caseworkers to “shop” for each child and their unique needs. Gifts for special occasions, supplies for caseworkers activities with kids and car seats for visitations all have a spot in the Closet. Here are some current closet needs (no used items, please).

**\*Asterisk indicates high need items**

### Newborn needs:

- \* Infant formula: Similac Advance and Sensitive formulas
- \* Newborn clothing/ onesies (0-3 months and newborn sizes only)
- Diaper bags filled with supplies for girls or boys
- Pacifiers
- Burp cloths
- Bibs (please consider any writing on them and be sure it is appropriate due to the circumstances)
- \* Baby food
- \* Baby accessories (such as sippy cups, teething rings, sensory items)

### Diaper needs:

- \* All size diapers
- \* Wipes

### 3-6 month boys and 9-12 month boy:

- Diaper bags or backpacks filled with supplies for boys of that age group

### 12 month girl:

- Onesies, sleepers, everyday clothes

### 2T to 3T girls:

- Backpacks filled with supplies for girls in that age group
- Pajamas
- Underwear
- \* Toddler nourishment drinks (such as PediSure)
- \* Clothing (age 2 and up) daily wear: t-shirts, sweats, leggings, jeans, etc.

### 4T to 5T boys:

- \* Backpacks filled with supplies for boys in that age group
- \* Pajamas
- \* Underwear
- \* Clothing (age 2 and up) daily wear: t-shirts, sweats, jeans, etc.

### Elementary age for boys and girls:

- Backpacks (gender neutral) filled with supplies for boys and girls in that age group
- \* Journals with pens/pencils
- Soft blankets
- \* Hair clips and accessories
- \* Hair care products (for children and African American hair)
- \* Pajamas/pajama pants (for children 8+)
- \* Clothing (T-shirts, jeans, leggings, sweatshirts, gloves, winter scarves, underwear)
- \* Children’s toothpaste (no adult toothpaste needed)
- \* Hygiene products (body wash, skin lotion, shampoo, etc.). Currently, we do not need toothbrushes.
- Age appropriate Bibles
- Ethnically appropriate hair and skin supplies
- Lunch-boxes
- Sturdy water bottles
- \* Small toys

### Teen boy and girl:

- Backpacks (gender neutral) filled with supplies for teen boys and girls
- Journals with pens/pencils
- \* Pencil cases
- \* Hygiene products for both genders (including things like deodorant, body wash, skin lotion, shampoo, etc.). Currently, we do not need toothbrushes.
- Soft blankets
- \* Hair clips and accessories, nail polish
- Teen appropriate coloring books and games
- \* Clothing (T-shirts, jeans, leggings, sweatshirts, gloves, winter scarves, underwear, pajamas)
- Age appropriate Bibles
- Ethnically appropriate hair and skin supplies
- Age appropriate lunch-boxes
- Sturdy water bottles

### For all ages:

- \* Winter coats
- \* Sweatshirts/vests/fleeces
- Ethnically diverse books
- Bibles and soft dolls

### Books

- *I Wish You More* (Board Book or Hard Cover) – By Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Tom Lichtenheld
- *I’ll Never Let You Go* (Hardcover) – By Smriti Prasadam-Halls (Author), Alison Brown (Illustrator)
- *Oh the Places You’ll Go* (Hardcover) – By Dr. Seuss
- *Horton Hatches the Egg* (Hardcover) – By Dr. Seuss
- *When God Made You* (Hardcover) – By Matthew Paul Turner and David Catrow
- *I Am Loved* – By Jamie Kaeb
- *The Run Away Bunny* – By Margaret Wise Brown
- *Tell Me Again About the Night I was Born* – By Jamie Lee Curtis
- *Henry’s Freedom Box* (Hardcover) – By Ellen Levine
- *Freedom On The Menu* (Paperback) – By Carole Boston Weatherford
- *Just Us Women* (Paperback) – By Jeannette Caines
- *Mommy, Why Are People Different Colors?* (Paperback) – By Barbara Knoll
- *Maybe Days* (Hardcover) – By Jennifer Wilgocki
- *Personal Space Camp* (Hardcover) – By Julia Cook
- *Families Change* (Paperback) – By Julie A. Nelson

### Adoption/Child Preparation

- Individual marker packs: 8-12 markers in a pack
- Blank Masks
- Adoption & Family Stickers
- Heart stickers
- Christmas stickers
- Glue sticks
- Soccer ball
- Nerf football
- Basketball
- Hand pump for sports balls

## Adult Needs List

- Gloves
- Hats
- Scarves
- Jackets
- Socks
- Disposable masks

### Travel size toiletries for men & women:

- Shampoo & conditioner
- Hand sanitizer
- Lotion
- Lip balm
- Deodorant
- Personal cleansing wipes
- Tooth brush & tooth paste
- Comb or brush
- Hand warmers

\* Video Monitors are needed for infant to young elementary age children