



"Home of the Free BECAUSE of the Brave"

Thank you for offering to hold a donation drive to benefit our military men and women protecting freedom around the globe. Here are a few guidelines to help make your drive successful.

If you are planning an assembly or meeting to kick off the drive, and wish to have someone from our organization speak, please let us know so that we can have one of our volunteers prepared.

We ship donations in two separate boxes, one for snacks and one for toiletries. This allows us to send edible items safely, without having them assume the scent of soaps, creams, or other items. We ask that you try to store them separately as much as possible, bagging and boxing these items separately.

The boxes we use are the Large Flat Rate boxes available for free from the U.S. Post Office, and are 12x12x5 in size. Please collect individual-sized items so each item can be put in our box without any one item taking up too much space. For example, individual-sized cookie packs are more useful to us than large bags of cookies. Our donation list suggests appropriate sizes. Abiding by this suggestion allows us to send a nice variety of items each month to our heroes.

Attached is a list of items most requested by our heroes. If you prefer to have a smaller list of items to collect, here is a short list of urgently-needed items that you can use in your announcement.

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| Beef or Turkey Jerky (individual pack please) | Men's Deodorant |
| Peanut Butter (no larger than 26 ounce jar) | Shave gel in tubes (no cans) |
| Protein/Granola Bars | Dental Floss |
| Nuts in packets | 3 in 1 Body Wash
(Shampoo/Conditioner/Body Wash in 1) |
| Water Enhancer in Squeeze Bottles (like Mio) | Sunscreen in tubes |

Please let us know the dates of your drive, and a date by which you anticipate handing the items over to us. This will allow us to have one of our volunteers ready to accept the items. You can follow us on Face Book <https://www.facebook.com/SlidellLadiesforLiberty> and message us with any questions or concerns. Thank you for partnering with us to let our military know they are supported by us folks back home.

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