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Dear Friend of Comer Children's,

Comer Children's Hospital is dedicated to providing the best care for our patients and families, and we believe that joy and comfort play an essential role in their healing process. As we approach the holiday season, we need your support more than ever to brighten spirits. We invite you to join us in spreading joy by donating new, unwrapped toys or by making a monetary donation.

Your support will make it possible to continue our **Comer Cheer Program**, an annual tradition of offering spirit-lifting holiday activities and gifts, including magic shows, holiday art projects, and virtual Santa Claus visits. Our annual holiday store will once again allow for parents and caregivers to choose presents for their children.

Every day, we witness the strength and resilience of the children in our care. Many of them face significant challenges, and we strive to create an environment that fosters hope and happiness all year long. **Comer Cheer** is the gift that keeps on giving, no matter what the season. With your help, our Child Life team can purchase gifts and host activities during both the holidays and throughout the year.

Your support will help us create a warm and welcoming environment for our children and their families during a challenging time. We deeply appreciate your consideration and hope you will join us in this important initiative. **Every donation makes a difference!**

If you have any questions or would like to discuss how you can help, please feel free to reach out to amy.carter@uchicagomedicine.org. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Wishing you all the best this holiday season.

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P.S. Help us bring cheer to our patients at Comer Children's Hospital! Make a monetary donation today: <http://giving.uchicago.edu/comercheer> or purchase a gift from our wish lists or partners here: www.uchicagomedicine.org/comercheerdonations.

JOIN US IN BRINGING COMER CHEER THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

Toy, book, or game donations are a most welcome and appreciated way to bring joy directly to our patients. The holiday toy donation deadline is **Monday, December 18th**. Donations received after this date will support hospitalized children throughout the year. Please follow the guidelines provided in the enclosed Donation Wish List, and note that these generous donations should be new, unwrapped, non-violent, and non-denominational.



- **Toys et Cetera:** Use coupon code **COMER** for 20% off any toy purchased that is donated to Comer Children's. Shop online <https://www.toysetcetera.com>, by phone (773-324-6039), or in store (1502 E. 55th Street, Hyde Park). Enter "Local Pickup" as the shipping option for online orders and include "Comer Donation" in the notes.
- **Amazon Wish Lists located here:** www.uchicagomedicine.org/comercheerdonations
Amazon donations are delivered directly to the Hospital.
- **57th Street Books** - <https://www.semcoop.com/comer-book-drive> Your purchase of a gift card in any denomination will provide a selection of books to Comer Children's Hospital. Purchase your gift cards online using the above link from November 1st through December 21st.

Make a monetary gift at giving.uchicago.edu/comercheer or by completing and returning the donation form below.

Please ship ALL toy donations to the following address:

Comer Children's Hospital, Amy Carter - Child Life K135, 5835 S. Cottage Grove Ave, Chicago IL 60637

Please contact our donation coordinator with any questions or additional ideas at amy.carter@uchicagomedicine.org

MONETARY DONATION FORM

Print Name: _____ Contact Email: _____ Phone: _____

I would like to support the Child Life & Family Education Program's areas of highest need this holiday season with a gift:

\$ 25 \$ 50 \$ 100 \$ 500 \$ 1,000 Other: \$ _____

Enclosed is my check, payable to the University of Chicago Comer Children's. Mailed to:
Comer Children's Hospital, Amy Carter, Child Life K135 5721 S. Maryland Ave, MC8008 Chicago, IL 60637

Charge my full gift to my credit card today.

Monthly installments charged to my credit card to support year-long efforts of Child Life & Family Education needs.
Number of monthly installments: _____

Card type: Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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