

Christmas Box for a Refugee Child



Clip and Paste on Top of Box

Ship box to **Friends of the Americas**,
912 N. Foster Dr., Baton Rouge, La. 70806
no later than **December 6, 1985**.

Gift wrap box so it can be easily opened for
inspection and then resealed for shipment.

This box is for a (circle one): (Boy) or (Girl)

Age category (check one):

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| ☐ Infant | ☐ 6 to 8 |
| ☐ Toddler | ☐ 8 to 10 |
| ☐ 2 to 4 | ☐ 10 to 12 |
| ☐ 4 to 6 | ☐ Teenager |

This box contains the following *new* items:
(Avoid things which break or melt.)

Essential items

- ☐ 2 pr. underwear
- ☐ 2 pr. socks
- ☐ toothpaste
- ☐ toothbrush
- ☐ brush, comb
- ☐ writing tablet
- ☐ pencils, pens
- ☐ crayons
- ☐ spoons, forks
- ☐ scissors
- ☐ soap
- ☐ needle, thread
- ☐ safety pins
- ☐ hard *wrapped* candy that will not melt
- ☐ A letter and/or snapshot of you

Suggested items

- ☐ pants
- ☐ shirt
- ☐ dress
- ☐ ball
- ☐ trucks, cars
- ☐ marbles
- ☐ top
- ☐ necklaces
- ☐ small doll
- ☐ hair ribbons
- ☐ baby rattles
- ☐ Other _____

Querido Amigo: ¡Feliz Navidad! Nosotros aquí en los Estados Unidos le amamos, tenemos interés en Usted, y queremos que disfrute esta estación Navideña. Espero que estos pequeños regalos le traerán felicidad durante el año 1985. Por favor escríbame. Su amigo,

Dear Friend: Merry Christmas! We in the United States love you, care about you, and want you to have the joys of this Christmas season. We hope these small gifts help bring you happiness during 1985. Please write. Your friend,

Name _____

Address _____

City, State and Zip Code
Estados Unidos de America (USA)

Make Copies and Distribute

Church Christmas project

Provide gifts for refugee children, victims of communist aggression



Today in Central America, thousands of small children are homeless refugees--without food, clothing or medical care. In many cases, one or both of their parents have been killed or have died of illness. Many of the children suffer from malaria, parasites, tuberculosis or kwashiorkor.

Thousands of children are in concentration camps in Honduras, Costa Rica and Nicaragua, the victims of political repression. In February and March of 1985, the Sandinistas burned over 20,000 homes in Nicaragua, destroyed six Miskito Indian villages and forcibly impressed thousands of children under 16 in military service.

For most of these children, it has been many years since they have received a new piece of clothing or even a single toy.

Many more are victims of natural disaster--the earthquakes that recently rocked Mexico and Guatemala. Their outlook for Christmas also looks very bleak.

Friends of the Americas now offers a way for each of us to help these suffering children. Friends is a non-profit organization headed by Louisiana State Representative Louis (Woody) Jenkins. The organization was established to help the victims of communist aggression in Central America.

Friends needs 50,000 Christmas boxes by **December 6**. The organization assures participants that every box will be distributed to a child by an American. Friends has recently sent 45,000 boxes, 10,000 of them to Mexico earthquake victims.

The Christmas need, however, is critical--50,000 boxes by December 6. Through Friends, all of us can extend a hand of love to little children who are suffering.

Preparing a Christmas box is simple: clip the coupon on this page and make copies for your friends or organization; fill a box with the essential items and as many toys as possible; check off each item placed in the box; gift wrap the Christmas box in such a way that Friends can open and inspect it without ruining the wrapping (each box must be checked for security reasons); put the Christmas box in another box or wrap it in brown paper and ship it to Friends of the Americas no later than December 6.

Friends of the Americas will take the box to Central America where American volunteers will personally deliver it to a needy refugee.

**All Christmas Boxes must
be mailed by December 6, 1985:
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Baton Rouge, LA 70806**

