2026 Christmas Gift Appeal

For several years we have distributed Christmas presents for good local causes.

Once again we will be delighted to accept any new presents that you might wish to give for some of Surrey's most needy individuals.

Sorry but we are **not** able to accept nearly-new gifts.

We have confirmation that four local charities and good causes would again love to receive some gifts:-

*1) **Children's Presents so that the Mole Valley CAP (Christians Against Poverty)** can give every child, of the families they are helping locally, a present. This year they range in age from 6 months to just 18 year olds. Toys, games, books, chocolate or sweet collections and cuddly toys are always much appreciated.*

*2) **B@titude** has said that the most useful gift it could receive, to give to their clients, would be a Sainsbury's or Tesco Gift Card please*

*3) We have a link with Surrey County Council's **vulnerable teenagers** and have been asked if we could once again be kind enough to give presents to the teenagers and some younger children on SCC's books, in care or coming out of the top of the care system, the homeless, those suffering from addictions and with extremely difficult home circumstances. For some of these teenagers, ours will be the only presents they receive. Suitable presents are:*

giant bars of chocolate, microwavable hottie, whoopee cushion, joke book, small lego set, gaming cushion, snuggly items such as slipper socks, pj's throw/blanket, comfort sensory items, scarves, hats and gloves and other clothing items, books, vouchers, chocolates, jewelry, make up, beanie hats, fizzy drinks, toiletries.

Obviously please no alcohol/lighters/candles.

*4) **The Meeting Room** are putting goodie bags together for their clients. They would love to be given boxes of chocolates, packs of biscuits, multipacks of Haribos or chocolates.*

There is absolutely no need to feel any obligation whatsoever to donate a gift; we are acutely aware that many folk are struggling to provide for their own families! If, however, you wish to give a gift, we will be delighted to receive your presents until **Monday 7th December**. Presents can be left in the box in the church hall.

This has grown over the years as people have asked what they can give. We would love to streamline and simplify our giving, but we must respect what each local cause would find most helpful, and we feel we cannot stop collecting for each of these very worthwhile causes. We are always grateful for donations of Christmas wrapping paper, sellotape and gift tags too.

Do give your present as it is, and we can wrap it up, or do donate it already wrapped, with a tag saying who might be the most suitable recipient; 'teenage girl', '2 year old boy', for example. We will be wrapping up presents from 8th December, so do please try to get your gifts to us by the 7th December at the very latest, to allow distribution in good time. Extra hands always welcome!

Thank you so much.