

TrueGift Donations

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"Free School Supplies For Teachers"



Welcome to TrueGift, a small non-profit organizing contributions of school supplies to individual classrooms. We provide a connection between the individual teacher's school supply needs and parents or others who wish to donate. We also purchase and ship school supplies with monies donated to us.

How Does it Work?

Think of us as a gift registry for classrooms needing school supplies. We fill some gift lists from the registry and ask parents and others to fill the rest.

Teachers can request small school supplies where individual items cost less than \$50.00. These supplies typically include paper, pencils, scissors, crayons, and the occasional special item. We focus on supplies we believe are needed and can be supplied efficiently.

The requests, called gift lists, are available on our website (www.truegift.com) to browse or download. Parents can simply pick up school supplies and drop them at the school office.

Who is Eligible?

We support all U.S. schools for which contributions are tax

deductible: public schools, non-profit charter schools, non-profit secular private schools, and non-profit religious schools.

Specifically we support anyone who teaches children from kindergarten to the twelfth grade, including programs for homeless children and special education. We regret that we cannot provide supplies to non-teachers, pre-K or adult school teachers, home school teachers, or teachers outside the fifty United States.

What do you promise?

We provide a place to list your requests on our website. Donors often provide us with funds so that we make school supply donations, but demand always outstrips supply. We provided supplies to 131 classrooms in 2003, but cannot promise supplies to any particular classroom.

What type of supplies do you provide?

We typically provide crayons, pencils, colored pencils, colored markers, glue sticks, construction paper, scissors, rulers, protractors, ballpoint pens, copy paper, notebook filler paper, and notebooks. Teachers may also request some other supplies. We do not fulfill requests for computers, software, or electronics because we cannot get the best price for these items. We do not fulfill requests for overhead transparencies, ink cartridges, or toner cartridges because we never get exactly the right kind. Donors and parents may fulfill anything they like.

Won't some teachers get more supplies than others? How do you choose who gets the supplies?

We strive to ensure equal access to the TrueGift Donations gift

registry. Donors choose which teachers receive school supplies.

How do I sign up and request supplies?

You sign up online at the TrueGift Donations website, www.truegift.com. You complete a several page form listing the specific supplies you want. If you are the first teacher in your school, you may have to fill out an extra page with the school address and principal name. There are never any fees or costs.

What happens after I sign up?

Your gift list will be listed on our website for individual donors and for large donors to download. You should tell the parents of your students that they can donate these supplies. These donations are tax deductible: you or your school secretary can sign for

supplies and we can issue receipts if they send us money.

What is TrueGift's Privacy Policy?

We hate junk mail and telephone solicitations, too. We don't sell or rent your name. We may email you a newsletter up to four times a year, when we have questions about your request, and when your giftlist changes.

Can I Trust TrueGift?

We like to think so. TrueGift has no paid employees or consultants. 100% of your donation is used to purchase and ship supplies to the classrooms you request. Also, parents can bypass TrueGift Donations and ship supplies directly to your classroom.

Where Can I learn More?

Come to the TrueGift Donations website: www.truegift.com