

**Closing date Friday 18th November** 



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# GIVE LOVE IN A BOX THIS CHRISTMAS

**The Agency Express** Shoebox Appeal



Join Agency Express and Teams4u in spreading joy to children and families living in poverty this Christmas.

In 2017 Teams4U distributed over 38,000 Christmas shoeboxes across Romania, Bosnia and Belarus.

We are delighted to announce that thanks to our estate agency customers, colleagues and friends we were able to help boost that number!

#### Help us spread some cheer this Christmas.

From your hand to theirs, shoeboxes and given to vulnerable families and are distributed through schools, nurseries, hospitals and orphanages.

Every shoebox is gratefully received, bringing joy and excitement into an often bleak existence.



## **Getting involved is easy**

There are two ways to join the Agency Express Shoebox Appeal and they are both simple!

### **Option 1 - Get wrapping**

- Find an empty shoebox: Preferably medium sized.
   Wrap the lid and the box separately in Christmas paper.
- Boy, Girl or Home: Choose who you'd like your box to go to, fill out the label and stick it on the outside of the box. Additional labels can be downloaded from the Agency Express website if needed.
- Personalise your shoebox: Take a look at the list of gift ideas in this leaflet. Please do not include anything from the NO list.
- Make your donation: A minimum donation of £3.00 is recommended with each box. This helps to send your gift to Eastern Europe this Christmas. Donations above £3.00 are welcomed and will make a practical difference in the lives of the children and families Teams4U work with. Simply place cash or a cheque in an envelope inside the box. Cheques should be made payable to: **Teams4U**.
- Return your completed box: Send it back before Friday 18th November to: Agency Express, Rectory Road, East Carleton, Norwich, NR14 8HT.



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# CHANGING LIFES, ONE BOX AT A TIME

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# **Option 2 - Donate 2 fill**

- **Donate:** Online via the Agency Express website and we'll pack a box full of goodies and wrap it for you.
- Minimum donation: £15 is needed to send each box. If you'd like to send more than 1 box simply donate in multiples of £15. e.g. £30 for 2 boxes.
- Give a little to change a lot: Any donations made after the closing date of Friday 18th November will be sent directly to Teams4U to support them in their charitable Christmas causes across the continent.

# **Packing your shoebox**

Please choose a selection of items from the ideas below – this is not meant to be an exhaustive list but please do not include anything from the NO list.

#### For boys or girls:

Reusable face masks, toothbrush & toothpaste, hair accessories/brush, soap & face cloth, stationery & paper (this can be corporate stationery), gloves, hat & scarf, new socks/underwear.



#### Please also include:

A soft toy, game, puzzle, small musical instruments, toy vehicles, small rubber ball/inflatable ball, sweets (with a long expiry date), a photo of yourself or your team.



#### For the Home:

Candles, hairbrush, small toiletries, soap, small Christmas decoration, small decorative item, headscarves, new socks/underwear, jewellery, make-up, cooking utensils (no knives), plastic containers, t-towels (preferably decorative), plastic utensils, bowls & cups, washing up cloths, clothes pegs, reusable face masks.

#### Please DO NOT include:

Food (only exception is sweets), medicines, military themed items (such as toy soldiers/tanks/guns), aerosols or anything highly flammable, sharp items, novels.



Please ensure: All items are in good condition and undamaged. All shoeboxes are checked and we reserve the right to remove any unsuitable items. Sometimes we may have to change a shoebox to meet our packaging requirements.



# **Have questions?**

**Contact:** Naomi Eaton, Agency Express, Rectory Road, East Carleton, Norwich, NR14 8HT. Tel: 01508 579800.

Or if you'd like to learn more about Teams4U visit www.teams4u.com

**Thank you,** your box and donation has made a difference this Christmas!



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