



Ronald McDonald
House Charities®
Madison

Going Home Bags

Given to families upon check-out, these bags provide comfort and entertainment for the journey back home.

Required Items:

- Easy, portable snacks (Goldfish crackers, fruit snacks, trail mix, granola bars, pretzels, etc.)
- Bottle(s) of Water
- A shelf-stable meal for their return (ex. Hormel Compleats, Dinty Moore Beef Stew, Velveeta Cheesy Bowls, SpaghettiOs, Box of Spaghetti and Jar of Sauce, Mac & Cheese Cups, Soup, Ramen, etc.)

Non-Required Items (pick one or two to add some fun!):

- Fidget toys
- Color Wonder products or other mess-free art items
- Car bingo or other on-the-go games



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Instructions:

1. Gather Materials

- a. We request you plan to make at least 15 bags, but 35 bags will ensure every family at our House and Family Room locations can get one.
- b. Pick an assortment of items from the list above to purchase (if you want to be creative, please email Sophia at smelgar@rmhcmadison.org to make sure the items are helpful for the families).
- c. Please do not purchase perishable items to include in bags.
- d. Items will need to be put in a bag that you provide. It could be a colorful gift bag, brown paper bag, or even a plastic zipper bag.

2. Stuff the Bags

- a. Gather friends, family, coworkers, or peers for a meaningful time of putting together Going Home bags.
- b. If you'd like to learn more about RMHC-Madison while doing this, please email Sophia to request a presentation be sent to you.

3. Deliver to the House!

- a. We are located at 2716 Marshall Ct. Madison, WI for you to either hand-deliver or ship your bags.
- b. If you hand-deliver, please arrive between 9:00am and 8:00pm any day of the week.