



Greetings to you as child sponsors at Brenna's Home:

As the Christmas season quickly approaches, some of you have begun to inquire about getting presents and cards to your child at Brenna's Home. The last several years we had the opportunity to take presents with us as we went to celebrate Christmas with them the first week of January. This year we will not be able to travel to Ukraine in January, so we wanted to provide you with some information and guidelines about presents and cards for the children.

First of all, we do encourage you to provide a small gift for the child/children you sponsor. We suggest something light in weight, and with a value of \$15 or less. If you prefer for us to pick up something for your child, please send a check payable to "Brenna Engle Foundation" and we will provide a gift for your child in your name.

Secondly, we also encourage everyone to send a Christmas card with your individual or family picture enclosed, so your child can visualize who sponsors them. **This is the most important thing you can do for them for Christmas.**

Please do not put any money in cards for the children.

We will be **shipping** boxes to Ukraine by Dec. 2, so if you want to send a package and/or card for your child, please get it to us by **November 27** (day before Thanksgiving). Send them to us at Brenna Engle Foundation, 3 Albert Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

If you want to mail your own card to your child at Brenna's Home directly, that is fine also. Use the instructions we send to you previously-if you need another copy, let us know. We anticipate going to Ukraine sometime during February or March, so we can always take belated Christmas presents then, if you send them late. **PLEASE DO NOT SHIP PACKAGES TO UKRAINE DIRECTLY**, it gets complicated for delivery at times, and there is a high risk of theft with regular mail. Our shipping service is safe and reliable and much less expensive.



If you need gift ideas or sizes, let us know and we can help with that. They do not need hats or scarves this year, but warm gloves, socks, school and craft supplies are always a safe bet.

Thank you for being a child sponsor for Brenna's Home, and for your commitment to make a better life for your child. Please contact me (Rich) with any questions. Blessings! Rich and Donna

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