Community Service Project Options and Guidelines

We are so grateful you have chosen to support Children’s of Mississippi and The University of Mississippi Medical Center! Thank you for your kind and generous hearts. Below are 4 fantastic ways for the community to support:

**Provide a “hot meal” to our Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) families**
- For families of patients in our PICU, you can provide a hot meal.
- The meal can be homemade or store-bought.
- You will need to provide the food, plates, napkins, utensils, and serve ware.
- 2-3 people from your group will need to be present to serve the food.
- Meals will take place on Saturdays.
- For more information, please contact us at inkinddonations@umc.edu.

**In-Kind Gifts Drive**
- In-kind gifts bring great joy to our patients and their families during their stay. In-kind gifts are used in various places throughout the hospital, including the Children's of Mississippi child life activity rooms, emergency rooms, and clinics.
- For more information, please contact us at inkinddonations@umc.edu, or 601.213.8054.

**Make handmade blankets**
- We have strict guidelines we must follow for Infection Control, so many handmade items are unable to be used by our patients.
- If you are interested in hand-making something for our patients, blankets are an always needed item here at Children’s of Mississippi and The University of Mississippi Medical Center.
- For more details, please view our Handmade Items Wish List found at umc.edu/inkinddonations.

**Volunteer Your Time**
- Volunteers play an important role in helping to provide quality, compassionate care to patients. We are always looking for people who want to help in this mission. Volunteers serve many roles, including: greet patients and visitors, serve coffee to patients and visitors, assist the staff at nursing stations, interact with pediatric patients while assisting Child Life Services, read to pediatric patients, rock babies in the NICU, and more!
- For more information, please contact Volunteer Services at 601.984.2068.