

## Natalie Weinstein

### Beat the Clutter -Donation Resources

Below is a list of the many places that donations can be made locally and across the country. We've provided this comprehensive list so that you could choose if there is a cause that is near and dear to your heart, making parting with your clutter a little bit easier. Some are monetary donations that we just wanted to share since there are so many great people out there doing things for those in need. If you know of a great organization, please email us at [info@natalieweinstein.com](mailto:info@natalieweinstein.com).

Many of these resources have local community drop off. Visit their website to find out.

You will find the following categories: **General Goods, Clothing Shoes and Accessories, Wedding & Prom Dresses, Baby & Children Items, Electronics, Office & School Supplies, Books, DVD's & CD's, Art & Craft Supplies, Sports Equipment Musical Instruments, Eye Glasses, Cars & Miscellaneous**

**Select: Ctrl+Click to follow links that is underlined in blue.**

#### GENERAL GOODS

##### **Savers Thrift Stores**

*What they do:* They help 140 nonprofit partners across the US, Canada, and Australia.

*What they need:* Reusable clothing and household items, including furniture.

##### **Goodwill**

*What they do:* Help people with barriers to employment learn the skills to find competitive employment.

*What they need:* Clothing, electronics, appliances, furniture, and more

##### **Salvation Army**

*What they do:* Provide community programs, homeless services, rehabilitation, disaster relief, and other assistance to those in need

*What they need:* Clothing, furniture, household goods, sporting equipment, books, electronics, and more

##### **Vietnam Veterans of America**

*What they do:* Help Vietnam-era veterans and their families

*What they need:* Clothing, baby items, housewares, electronics, small appliances, tools, and just about anything else

##### **Lupus Foundation of America**

*What they do:* Devoted to solving the mystery of lupus, one of the world's cruelest, most unpredictable and devastating diseases, while giving caring support to those who suffer from its brutal impact

*What they need:* Clothing, electronics, appliances, furniture, household goods and more

##### **Friends of Pine Ridge Reservation**

*What they do:* Provide needed items to the poverty-stricken Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota

*What they need:* From school, sewing, crafts, sporting, baby, and office supplies, to toiletries, clothing, Christmas gifts, holiday items, bed, bath and kitchen linens, cold weather gear, crayons and more (see website for specific needs)

##### **Operation Give**

*What they do:* Bring hope and solutions to the deprived and disconnected people of the world, in many cases where the US military operates.

*What they need:* Toys, school supplies, art supplies, sports equipment, and more (Fedex provides FREE shipping from anywhere in the US to their warehouse)

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#### GENERAL GOODS Continued...

##### [The Help Kenya Project](#)

*What they do:* Provide Kenya's students with science, English, and computer skills to break the cycle of poverty

*What they need:* Used computers, books, clothing, sports equipment, and other supplies

##### [Cause USA](#)

*What they do:* Send gift packs to wounded military personnel and their families

*What they need:* Playing cards, handheld electronic games, current magazines, batteries, travel-size toiletries, and more

##### [Forgotten Soldiers Outreach](#)

*What they do:* Send care packages to deployed soldiers

*What they need:* Travel-size toiletries, packaged food, flea collars, batteries, tube socks, envelopes, trash bags, and more

#### CLOTHING, SHOES, AND ACCESSORIES

##### [Dress for Success](#)

*What they do:* Provide interview suits, confidence boosts, and career development to low-income women in over 75 cities worldwide

*What they need:* Women's business suits and other professional apparel, footwear, and accessories

##### [Career Gear:](#)

*What they do:* Provide underserved job-seeking men with training, career counseling, interviews, and professional clothing

*What they need:* Men's suits, dress shirts, ties, shoes, briefcases, and other interview-appropriate clothing

##### [The Women's Alliance](#)

*What they do:* Provide professional attire and career skills training to low income women and their families seeking self-sufficiency

*What they need:* Women's business clothing and professional accessories

##### [Sew Much Comfort](#)

*What they do:* Provide adaptive clothing to wounded service men and women in military hospitals (specially designed to look like normal attire while accommodating their injuries)

*What they need:* Basketball shorts, boxers, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and PJ bottoms; also twill, flannel, and woven shirting fabric

##### [Clothes4Souls](#)

*What they do:* Provide clothes to people around the world who are in desperate need

*What they need:* New or gently-worn clean clothing

##### [Planet Aid](#)

*What they do:* Provide clothing to people in developing nations, and fund community, health, agricultural, and vocational programs

*What they need:* Gently-used, unsoiled, functional clothing and shoes

##### [Soles4Souls](#)

*What they do:* Distribute shoes to people in need in over 125 countries

*What they need:* All types of new or gently-worn shoes: athletic, running, dress, sandals, pumps, heels, work boots, cleats, dance, and flip flops

##### [Diamonds for Dreams](#)

*What they do:* Grant wishes for terminal breast cancer patients

*What they need:* Diamonds, estate jewelry, and other specialty jewelry items

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**CLOTHING, SHOES, AND ACCESSORIES** continued...

**Indigo Rescue:** [http://indigorescue.org/?page\\_id=18](http://indigorescue.org/?page_id=18)

*What they do:* Assist county animal shelters, and rehabilitate pets and place them in adoptive homes

*What they need:* Jewelry (for fundraising events)

**Animal Guardian Network:** [https://www.animalguardiannetwork.org/AGN\\_Thrift\\_Store.html](https://www.animalguardiannetwork.org/AGN_Thrift_Store.html)

*What they do:* Rescue and place homeless pets with loving families, and assist low-income seniors and financially disadvantaged individuals with their pet care

*What they need:* Gently-used designer handbags to sell in their ReBag Boutique

**WEDDING AND PROM DRESSES**

**Brides Against Breast Cancer:** <http://bridesagainstreetcancer.org/index.php/monetary-donations/>

*What they do:* Advance the awareness of breast cancer, and operate a wish-granting service enabling patients to make special memories with their loved ones

*What they need:* New and used wedding gowns from 2005 to present

**Brides Across America:** <http://bridesagainstreetcancer.org/index.php/monetary-donations/make-a-donation/>

*What they do:* Provide wedding gowns to military brides in need

*What they need:* New or gently-used bridal gowns, not more than three years old

**BABY AND CHILDREN'S ITEMS**

**Project Night Night**

*What they do:* Reduce the trauma of homeless children with Night-Night Packages of childhood comforts

*What they need:* Stuffed animals, blankets, and children's books

**SAFE (Stuffed Animals for Emergencies)**

*What they do:* Collect items to give to children in emotional, traumatic, or stressful situations (like fires, illness, abuse, homelessness, and natural disasters)

*What they need:* New or gently-used stuffed animals

**Loving Hugs**

*What they do:* Send stuffed animals to children living in war zones, refugee camps, orphanages, hospitals, and natural disaster areas

*What they need:* New or very gently-used stuffed animals

**Project Smile**

*What they do:* Provide emergency responders with children's comfort items, to help ease their pain and fear

*What they need:* New or gently-used stuffed animals, children's books, unused coloring books, new crayons

**Newborns in Need**

*What they do:* Provide care necessities to local agencies and hospitals serving premature, ill, or impoverished newborns

*What they need:* Baby clothing, toys, and other items; also fabric, yarn, thread, and other supplies

**Touching Little Lives**

*What they do:* Provide necessity items to needy infants in Ohio

*What they need:* Baby clothing, booties, toys, blankets and other items; also flannel, thread, batting, and yarn

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**BABY AND CHILDREN'S ITEMS** continued...

#### [Ronald McDonald House](#)

*What they do:* Provide a "home-away-from-home" for families so they can stay close by their hospitalized child at little or no cost

*What they need:* New toys, food, and household products; see website for details

#### **ELECTRONICS**

#### [World Computer Exchange](#)

*What they do:* Provide used computers and technology to schools, libraries, community centers & universities in developing countries

*What they need:* Computers, laptops, printers, hard drives, peripherals, software, and more

#### [National Cristina Foundation](#)

*What they do:* Provide computer technology to people with disabilities or economic disadvantages, to enable them to lead more independent and productive lives

*What they need:* Desktops, notebooks, printers, peripherals, software, and more

#### [National Coalition Against Domestic Violence](#)

*What they do:* Work to eliminate domestic violence, and empower battered women and children

*What they need:* Used cell phones

#### [Games for Heroes](#)

*What they do:* Provide emotional support to troops in Iraq and Afghanistan

*What they need:* Handheld video game devices like Gameboys, PSPs, and Nintendo DSs

#### [Get-Well Gamers Foundation](#)

*What they do:* Bring video game systems to children's hospitals, for entertainment and pain management

*What they need:* Video games, systems, controllers, and other accessories

#### [Computer Recycling Center](#)

*What they do:* Place computers in public charity and community programs through Computers & Education™, and recycle unusable items to keep them out of landfills

*What they need:* Computers, laptops, home electronics

#### [HopeLine from Verizon](#)

*What they do:* Provide refurbished phones to local domestic violence organizations

*What they need:* No-longer-used wireless phones, batteries and accessories in any condition from any wireless service provider

#### [Cell Phones for Soldiers](#)

*What they do:* Use the money from recycling cell phones to purchase calling cards for troops in need

*What they need:* Used cell phones

#### [iOS Device Recycling Program](#)

*What they do:* Bring high technology mobile devices (installed with educational apps) into classrooms

*What they need:* iPads, iPhones, iPod Touches

#### [Fireside International](#)

*What they do:* Use mobile devices to advance education in Haiti

*What they need:* iPods, iPads, iPhones

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#### OFFICE AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES

##### [iLoveSchools](#)

*What they do:* Match America's school teachers with donations of classroom resources

*What they need:* A variety of school supplies, materials, and equipment

##### [Swap4Schools](#)

*What they do:* Match donors' "haves" with schools' "wants"

*What they need:* Books, movies, and other items specifically requested by educators

##### [The GrayMatters Foundation](#)

*What they do:* Support and empower people impacted by brain tumors through outreach, awareness, and assistance programs

*What they need:* Stickers, postage stamps, blank or encouragement cards and envelopes

##### [Muscular Dystrophy Association](#)

*What they do:* Fund worldwide research efforts and nationwide programs to aid those with neuromuscular diseases and their families

*What they need:* Computers, software, office equipment, furniture, and supplies for use in local offices

##### [Develop Africa](#)

*What they do:* Provide books, school and teaching supplies, scholarships, and job-related training in Africa

*What they need:* A wide variety of school and office supplies; see website for details

##### [Pens for Kids](#)

*What they do:* Send pens to kids in Africa to assist them with getting an education

*What they need:* New and used pens of every type, color, size, shape, and quantity

#### BOOKS

##### [International Book Project](#)

*What they do:* Promote education and literacy by sending quality used books overseas

*What they need:* Textbooks, dictionaries, encyclopedias, vocational books, children's books, and more

##### [Global Literacy Project](#)

*What they do:* Foster community-based literacy initiatives throughout the world

*What they need:* "We are currently most in need of Pre-K to 12th grade reading books as well as Math and science textbooks."

##### [Darren Book Aid](#)

*What they do:* Send books in response to specific requests from Peace Corps volunteers, libraries and schools all over the world

*What they need:* A variety of new and gently-used books. Please call before shipping, to make sure your donations fit their needs

##### [Books for Africa](#)

*What they do:* Help create a culture of literacy by shipping books to libraries and classrooms in Africa

*What they need:* A wide variety of new and gently-used books, generally 15 years old or newer; details on website

##### [The Bridge of Books Foundation](#)

*What they do:* Provide books to children in low-income families, particularly through foster family agencies, homeless shelters, underfunded schools, and neighborhood centers

*What they need:* New and used children's books, from preschool through high school

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#### BOOKS continued...

##### [Books Through Bars](#)

*What they do:* Send quality reading and educational material to prisoners, thereby promoting successful community re-integration  
*What they need:* A variety of new and gently-used books; details on website. Please email before shipping.

##### [Books for Soldiers](#)

*What they do:* Facilitate the direct donation of books to soldiers serving overseas  
*What they need:* Books and magazines (as well as CDs, DVDs, and video games) requested by soldiers

##### [BookEnds.org](#)

*What they do:* Place books in inner-city schools, youth centers, homeless shelters, family literacy centers, after-school enrichment programs, children's group homes, and juvenile detention facilities  
*What they need:* Quality, gently-used children's books appropriate for infants to 18 years of age

##### [Better World Books](#)

*What they do:* Sell books to help fund literacy programs worldwide  
*What they need:* A wide variety of books; see website for details

#### DVDS AND CDS

##### [Kidflicks.org](#)

*What they do:* Create movie libraries for children's hospitals and pediatric wards across the US  
*What they need:* DVDs

##### [DVDs4Vets](#)

*What they do:* Provide DVDs to VA facilities for veterans in rehabilitation  
*What they need:* DVDs and portable DVD players

##### [DiscsForDogs.org](#)

*What they do:* Sell used DVDs and CDs, and donate the proceeds to the SPCA  
*What they need:* DVDs and CDs

##### [Musicians On Call](#)

*What they do:* Provide hospitals with complete CD libraries and players for patient use  
*What they need:* New or gently-used CDs and new, unused personal CD players

#### ART AND CRAFT SUPPLIES

##### [The CUREchief Foundation](#)

*What they do:* Bring hope to cancer patients, and people with other conditions that cause hair loss  
*What they need:* Cotton, flannel, or polar fleece fabric

##### [Care Wear](#)

*What they do:* Provide handmade baby items to premature infants in neonatal intensive care units  
*What they need:* Yarn, flannel, broadcloth, and other fabrics suitable for children's toys, apparel, and blankets/quilts

##### [A Little Something](#)

*What they do:* Help refugee women in Denver, CO become self-sufficient through crafting  
*What they need:* Leftover or unwanted beads or jewelry-making supplies, weaving fiber, knitting needles, and natural fiber yarn

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**ART AND CRAFT SUPPLIES** continued...

#### [Beads of Courage](#)

*What they do:* Provide arts-in-medicine for children with serious illnesses

*What they need:* All types of beads, of any color and shape

#### [The Mending Hearts Project](#)

*What they do:* Assist low income families, teen and single mothers, and mothers with premature infants in neonatal intensive care units

*What they need:* "Donations of all handcrafted items, yarn, and sewing supplies are graciously accepted."

#### [Afghans Etc for Charity](#)

*What they do:* Brighten the lives of children with cancer and other medical issues

*What they need:* Crochet and knitting supplies, and handcrafted items

#### [Binky Patrol](#)

*What they do:* Distribute homemade blankets (sewn, knitted, crocheted, or quilted) to children in need

*What they need:* Fabric, yarn, batting, and finished blankets

#### [The Knitting Connection](#)

*What they do:* Distribute supplies to volunteers to make hats, mittens, scarves, sweaters, afghans, baby booties, layette sets, and Christmas stockings for needy children

*What they need:* Yarn, knitting needles, knitting books, and finished knitted/crocheted items

#### [Many Arms Reach You](#)

*What they do:* Collect and donate knitted, quilted, or crocheted blankets to disadvantaged mothers and their children

*What they need:* Yarn

#### [The Mother Bear Project](#)

*What they do:* Provide hand-knit and crocheted bears to children with HIV/AIDS in emerging nations

*What they need:* Yarn, knitting needles, PolyFil, postage stamps, packing tape

#### [Knots of Love](#)

*What they do:* Provide crocheted and knitted caps for chemo patients and others facing life-threatening illnesses and injuries

*What they need:* Yarn

#### [Made 4 Aid](#)

*What they do:* Sell handmade items on Etsy to raise funds for Doctors Without Borders

*What they need:* A variety of handmade items, as well as arts and crafts materials

#### [Inklude Studio](#)

*What they do:* Provide a creative environment for adult artists with autism and other developmental challenges

*What they need:* A variety of fabric, art supplies, photography and computer equipment

#### [ArtBridge Houston](#)

*What they do:* Provide an arts program for children in homeless shelters

*What they need:* Art supplies including paper, colored pencils, watercolor paints, paintbrushes, stencils, markers, etc.

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**ART AND CRAFT SUPPLIES** continued...

#### [Children's Healing Art Project](#)

*What they do:* Create art classes for children in Portland's children's hospitals

*What they need:* A variety of arts supplies; see website for wish list

#### **SPORTS EQUIPMENT**

#### [Sports Gift](#)

*What they do:* Provide sports programs and equipment to impoverished and disadvantaged children throughout the world

*What they need:* A wide variety of sports equipment; see website for details

#### [One World Running](#)

*What they do:* Provide running shoes to those in need in the US and throughout the world

*What they need:* New and near-new running shoes

#### [Bikes for the World](#)

*What they do:* Donate bicycles to developing countries, so that individuals can get to work or school, or provide health and education services to low-income rural people

*What they need:* Any serviceable adult or children's bicycles, as well as bike parts, tools, and accessories

#### [Bicycles for Humanity](#)

*What they do:* Send bicycles to developing countries, to empower disadvantaged people through improved access to food and water, employment, healthcare, education and social opportunities

*What they need:* Bicycles, as well as bike parts, tools, clothing, helmets, tires, and tubes

#### [Opportunity Through Baseball](#)

*What they do:* Provide baseball equipment to impoverished children in the Dominican Republic and around the world

*What they need:* Baseballs, gloves, mitts, bats, helmets, and more

#### [PeacePassers](#)

*What they do:* Distribute soccer supplies to communities in need, to empower youth and maximize hope

*What they need:* Soccer gear like balls, shoes, jerseys, shorts, and socks

#### **MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS**

#### [Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation](#)

*What they do:* Keep music alive in our schools and communities by donating musical instruments to under-funded music programs

*What they need:* Gently-used band and orchestral instruments

#### [Marching Mountains](#)

*What they do:* Supply public school band programs in distressed counties in Appalachia with donated new and used musical instruments

*What they need:* Musical instruments in good working condition (mainly for marching and concert bands)

#### [Operation Happy Note](#)

*What they do:* Send musical instruments to deployed service men and women throughout the world

*What they need:* New or gently-used guitars, violins, mandolins, banjos, keyboards, horns of any kind, harmonicas, and even bagpipes



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#### MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS continued...

##### Education Through Music

*What they do:* Promote the integration of music into the curricula of disadvantaged schools in order to enhance students' academic performance and general development

*What they need:* A variety of musical instruments; see website for details

#### EYEGASSES

##### Unite for Sight

*What they do:* Support eye care for patients living in extreme poverty in developing countries

*What they need:* New reading glasses, distance glasses, and sunglasses

##### One Sight

*What they do:* Provide free vision care and eyewear to people in need around the world (in some countries, a pair of eyewear costs more than a month's salary)

*What they need:* 2 million pairs of gently-used eyewear

##### New Eyes for the Needy

*What they do:* Send eyeglasses to medical missions and international charitable organizations for distribution to the poor in developing nations

*What they need:* Eyeglasses, reading glasses, sunglasses, hearing aids

#### CARS

##### Big Brothers Big Sisters' Cars for Kids' Sake

*What they do:* Provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported one-to-one relationships that change their lives for the better

*What they need:* All types of vehicles, including cars, trucks, SUVs, motor homes, boats, airplanes, farm equipment, and construction equipment

##### Habitat for Humanity Cars for Homes

*What they do:* Build and rehabilitate houses for families in need

*What they need:* Cars, trucks, boats, RVs, motorcycles, and construction equipment

##### American Diabetes Association

*What they do:* Strive to prevent and cure diabetes, and to improve the lives of all people affected by diabetes

*What they need:* Cars, trucks, trailers, boats, and RVs

##### National Kidney Foundation Kidney Cars

*What they do:* Fund public health and professional education, vital patient and community services, organ donation programs and medical research to prevent kidney disease

*What they need:* Cars, vans, trucks, and boats

##### National Foundation for Cancer Research

*What they do:* Support cancer research and public education relating to prevention, earlier diagnosis, better treatments and ultimately, a cure for cancer.

*What they need:* Cars, trucks, boats, and SUVs

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CARS continued...

#### Purple Heart

*What they do:* Provide a variety of programs for wounded and disabled veterans and their families

*What they need:* Cars, trucks, RVs, and boats

#### MISCELLANEOUS

#### National Furniture Bank

*What they do:* Provide beds, tables, chairs, and other crucial home furnishings to over 100,000 people in need each year

*What they need:* Beds, dressers, nightstands, tables, chairs, sofas, lamps, and more

#### Project C.U.R.E.

*What they do:* Donate medical supplies and equipment to hospitals and clinics around the world

*What they need:* New and used medical equipment and supplies, including crutches, wheelchairs, and beds

#### UNICEF

*What they do:* Provide humanitarian relief to children around the globe

*What they need:* Foreign coins and notes

#### Chemo Angels

*What they do:* Brighten the lives of those undergoing IV chemo treatment

*What they need:* Retailer gift cards, valid or expired (can still be used in CA)

#### TESSA

*What they do:* Provide safety and counseling to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in El Paso and Teller counties

*What they need:* Grocery and retailer gift cards, used cell phones

#### Make-A-Wish Foundation

*What they do:* Grant wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions

*What they need:* Retailer gift cards and gift certificates

#### St. Jude's Ranch

*What they do:* Serve all abused, abandoned, and neglected children and families in a safe, homelike environment

*What they need:* Used greeting cards

#### Overseas Coupon Program

*What they do:* Facilitate the sending of coupons to overseas military personnel and their families

*What they need:* Manufacturer's coupons, valid and expired (up to 2 months)