• Cut out your label.
• Tick the relevant age box.
• As the back of the label is sticky, moisten and stick to the top right hand corner of your box (using tape if necessary).

Please have your boxes ready before 8th November 2019.

How to get your shoebox to us.

If you have less than 50 boxes:
There are drop off points all over Ireland so it is likely there will be one near you. A list of all drop off points will be available towards the end of October on www.teamhope.ie or phone 01 294 0222. Drop off points will accept your gifts up to and including 8th November 2019.

If you have more than 50 boxes:
Please contact us before 8th November 2019 and we will connect you with a local Team Hope volunteer. They will then do their best to collect your shoeboxes from you on an agreed date.

Who are Team Hope?
Team Hope is an Irish, Christian, International Development Charity working to help children affected by poverty in Eastern Europe and Africa.

We are best known for our Christmas Shoebox Appeal where we help people in Ireland send gift-filled shoeboxes to thousands of children every year.

We also work with locally-based partners overseas to implement projects to help bring long-term change to children, their families and communities.

To find out more about Team Hope's development projects, or to make a donation to help a child year round, visit our website www.teamhope.ie.
Every box is different, because every child is different.

You can make a difference. Every year, with your help, the Christmas Shoebox Appeal sends thousands of gift-filled shoeboxes to children in Eastern Europe and Africa. The children who receive your shoeboxes are affected by poverty in different ways. Many come from families with very little income, others live on the margins of society or in areas affected by conflict. Shoeboxes are given based on need alone and bring joy and excitement to children living in often very difficult situations. To read some stories of the amazing difference you can make and to order free resources for schools, please go to our website www.teamhope.ie. It’s easy for everyone to get involved.

5 Easy Steps To Creating Your Shoebox Gift

1. COVER a regular-sized shoebox in colourful paper. Wrap the box as you would a Christmas gift (you may use a hinged shoebox or similar size plastic container). If your shoebox is very large we may (reluctantly) have to divide it.

2. CHOOSE whether your gift is for a boy or a girl and the age. Stick the appropriate label from this leaflet on the right hand corner of your shoebox lid.

3. COMPLETELY FILL YOUR BOX using items from the “4 W’s” list (some suggestions are on the right). Please DO NOT include any items from the “What Not To Include” list. Out of respect for the children please only include items that are new or you would be happy to receive yourself.

4. CASHE, CHEQUE or DONATE ON LINE. To get your box to your child we need a donation of €4.00 per box.* You can donate online at www.teamhope.ie or use the envelope in this leaflet. Place it on top of your gifts inside the shoebox. Please don’t forget this vital donation.

5. CLOSE the box with an elastic band (please don’t seal it with tape as we have to check each box for customs purposes).

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8th NOVEMBER

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Choose some items to WASH with

- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Comb
- Soap (wrapped)
- Hairbrush
- Facecloth

Choose some items to WRITE with

- Pens/Pencils
- Crayons
- Erasers
- Colouring Books
- Paper/Copy Books
- Sharpeners

Choose some items to WEAR

- Socks
- Underwear
- Flip Flops
- Hat/Scarf
- Gloves
- T-shirts

Choose some items to WOW!

- Sunglasses
- Skipping Rope/Yo-yo
- Sweets (in date to 04/20)
- Musical Instrument
- Photo of Yourself

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Watch our DVD on www.teamhope.ie

Moisten this side

James - eSwatini (Swaziland)
James has never had socks. Now he has three pairs! They will keep his feet warm because even in Africa it gets cold at night.

Moisten this side

Olga - Belarus
When we gave Olga her shoebox, she jumped up and down with excitement, squealing with delight. Olga told us, “Miracles do happen! Dreams really do come true!”

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*€4.00 goes towards the cost of making the whole project happen including promotion, transport and delivering your box to each child (any surplus funds will be used for ongoing development work with the children, their families and the communities they live in – please see our website for more details on this work.)