



When Hurricane Katrina tore through the Gulf States, she left in her wake mass destruction, homelessness, chaos and death.

Officials estimate that 187,000 school-age children in Louisiana and 160,000 children in Mississippi have been displaced by the hurricane and have lost their homes and all their personal belongings.

To help, Relief International's Kid-Kits program was launched to focus specifically on the needs of children in disaster areas.

What are Kid-Kits?

Kid-Kit's mission is to assist the children affected by natural disasters by providing them with basic items in an effort to help them cope with change and loss.

Kid-Kits are backpacks filled with items especially for children and include items such as schools supplies, toys and games, books, hygiene items, and candy. Kid-Kits are made possible by students and local organizations assembling & donating bags filled with appropriate items, which Relief International then distributes directly to children in affected areas.



Want to Get Involved?

We need your help! Here is how you can get involved:

- Organize your class, team or organization to start a Kid-Kits campaign. Distribute flyers, spread the word and get people excited. Let us know you are getting involved so we can help spread the word too!
- Establish a drop-off / storage location. If it is ok with you, we will tell others to drop there too.
- Start collecting items and filling bags. Any bag that zips shut will work.
- See the list below or go to www.kidkits.org for appropriate items.
- Contact Relief International to schedule a pick-up.
- Spread the word! Tell your friends, family, co-workers, club, sports-team, church group, community organizations what you are doing and encourage them to get involved too!

Suggested Items

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| ● Note / personal letter to child | ● Sports bottles | ● Toothpaste/toothbrush |
| ● Pens, pencils, crayons | ● Small toys | ● Comb or brush |
| ● Paper, notepads, coloring books | ● Small or light books | ● Postcard of your home town |
| | ● Compact games | |
| | ● Non-perishable food | |



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Contact Relief International for More Information

www.kidkits.org

800.573.3332