

# Spice up your drive!

Want your drive to be a hit? Here are some fun ideas:

## ***Baby Shower***

Throw a baby shower for moms in need. Ask guests to bring brand new newborn baby essentials to donate and then stuff everything into diaper bags. See our [Recipe for a Love-filled Diaper Bag](#).

## ***Beach Bash***

Are the winter blues starting to get you down? Get out that luau gear and throw a beach themed party! Have attendees bring new and gently-used kids' swimsuits (sizes newborn to 16), sandals, beach toys and beach towels to donate.

## ***Fill a Crib***

Do you have a crib or pack 'n play that your family no longer needs? Bring it to your kids' school or office and ask people to stuff it full of baby safety supplies. We are always in needs of cabinet/drawer locks, outlet covers, window guards, safety gates and other essentials to keep babies safe. When the crib is filled, donate everything inside plus the crib.

## ***Game Night***

Do you love playing board games or putting together puzzles? Invite your friends, family members and neighbors over for a game night. Play all of your favorite games and set one aside to donate. This could be a fun school-wide event as well!

## ***Get Ready for School***

Every fall, we give thousands of brand new backpacks full of school supplies to children living in poverty. This year, you can help prepare even more children for a new year of school school by collecting and stuffing backpacks with your family, kids' school or office.

## ***Jeans for Tweens***

Ask students or colleagues to bring in a pair of new or gently-used jeans (sizes newborn to 16) to donate. Turn it into a competition—see what class or department can collect the most pairs. If you're in an office, award the winning department with a "wear your jeans to work day".

## ***Pajama Day***

Host a school-wide pajama day! Invite students to wear their pajamas to school, but there's a catch. Students can only wear their pajamas if they bring a new or gently-used pair to donate.

## ***Read-a-thon***

Challenge students to read as many books as they possibly can for a week straight! Turn it into a sponsorship deal where kids get their parents, family and neighbors to pledge \$5 for every book they read. Donate all of the proceeds or use the money to purchase children's books for Cradles to Crayons.

## ***Seat to Feet***

Can you imagine not having enough socks or underwear to wear? Help us ensure that every child has a week's worth of socks and underwear by hosting a collection at your church or temple, neighborhood, kids' school or with your community organization.

## ***Winter-wear***

Often times, we hear about children who are missing school because they do not have a winter coat to keep them warm while waiting for the bus or walking to school. Let's make sure that every child stays warm and ready for school! Set up a collection bin for winter coats and a clothesline (with clothespins) where people can clip on mittens and hats. Not only will you be making a huge difference, but you'll also create a cool display to show everyone what you've collected.