

Bring this shopping list to the Fair and get a free raffle ticket!

Attend one of the DC Area Alternative Gift Fairs in person! They are fantastic community events. And if you can't make it, you can participate by mail or electronically.

18<sup>th</sup> Annual Takoma Park – Sat, Dec 3, 12-4pm, 310 Tulip Ave, 3 blocks from Takoma metro

9<sup>th</sup> Annual Nat'l Edu Assoc – Tues, Dec 6, 1130a-230pm, 1201 16th Street, NW, DC - 3 blocks from Farragut North, 4.5 from Farragut West.

6th Annual Takoma Park Farmer's Market Tent – Sun, Dec 11, 10a-2p. – at Laurel and Carroll Ave (just a table and volunteers – see above for main events)

**MAIL IN SHOPPING METHOD: by Dec 13<sup>th</sup> (or 16<sup>th</sup>)!**

1. Please print out the shopping list(s) - page 2 on legal paper and page 3 for kids list below. (You can reuse the back of one-side used paper. Or print page 4 on regular letter paper.)
2. Fill in the shopping list and calculate the total payment amount. Now for the detailed version...
  - Work left to right first, for each gift multiply the price of the gift times quantity to get the total for each line.
  - Then work top to bottom, combine all gift totals and any "round up" or other gift fair donation for the "grand total". (If you have Kid's List items, add them to a main shopping list.)
3. Send your completed form and check, made out to "AGGW", and mail it to:

Mimi Ikle-Khalsa, 6719 Conway Ave, Takoma Park, MD 20912

Please postmark all shopping lists by December 13th (or hand deliver by Dec 16th) so we can send back your inserts before the holidays.

4. Include a SASE (self-addressed stamped envelope) - use a 4.5x6 or larger envelope if you don't want your gift inserts folded.

**ELECTRONIC/PAYPAL METHOD: by Dec 16<sup>th</sup>!**

E1: Follow steps 1 and 2 above, either on paper or on a device.

E2: Use Paypal.com to "send money" to [AGGW\\_inc@yahoo.com](mailto:AGGW_inc@yahoo.com) for the total amount.

E3: Also send an email to the same email address, with your list of gifts "ordered" (how many of which items), and your phone number and address.

These steps should be completed by Dec 16 if you want inserts mailed back to you before the holidays.

That's it! We will send back the inserts describing the gift and organizations for every gift you purchase (unless noted that you don't need them or don't need all of them) along with your receipt to keep for tax purposes. Thanks and Have a Great Holiday!

Mimi, Jim B, Geoff, Steve S, Steve W, Jill, Jim G, SJ, Jamie, Lulu and many more volunteers...

**Alternative Gifts of Greater Washington, Inc. (AGGW)**

AGGW was founded on the premise that sometimes the most thoughtful gift you can give someone is a donation to charity in their honor. Alternative gifts fill direct and tangible needs at home and abroad, such as books for children in transitional housing or a water filter for a family in Haiti. Family members and friends are touched to know that the gift they have just received will have a very real and meaningful impact on people and communities in need.



Beneficiary organizations who offer their gifts at the annual holiday fairs address some of the most pressing problems in our world today. They are working to eradicate poverty and hunger, provide disaster relief, shelter the homeless, give children access to education, attend to medical needs and protect our environment.

Inspired by the work of [Alternative Gifts International](#), AGGW sponsors alternative gift fairs in the Washington, DC area. AGGW also works to spread the word about opportunities to visit the many gift fairs and markets in the DC region. At an alternative gift fair, a shopper finds causes to match the interests and passions of everyone on their holiday shopping list. AGGW grew out of the [Takoma Park Alternative Gift Fair](#), which started in 1999 and has been held annually since then. In 2004, the project evolved into an incorporated, nonprofit organization governed by a board of directors. AGGW has helped several smaller fairs to organize in the area and served as their fiscal agent.

In 2011, the founding Board members turned over the reigns of AGGW to a new, Takoma Park-Based Board that is eager to continue and expand the community's support for the ideals of Alternative Giving.

– Mimi Ikle-Khalsa Co-Chair; Jim Baird Co-Chair; Sat Jiwan Ikle-Khalsa, Secretary; Geoff Maxson, Treasurer; Steve Whitney, Guiding Light; Email us at [aggw\\_inc@yahoo.com](mailto:aggw_inc@yahoo.com) or visit [www.AGGW.org](http://www.AGGW.org)

	Donations All Fairs	AGGW Proceeds*		
2014	'\$30,326	'\$1,029		
2013	\$27,900	\$639		
2012	\$28,500	--	Typical Range of Income Per Org	\$500-\$2000
2011	\$28,973	\$824		
2010	\$29,487	\$833	Total Orgs 2001 thru 2014**	Over 100
2009	\$21,069	\$1,157		
2008	\$33,206	\$862	Avg # of Orgs @ TP Fair/year	16-18
2007	\$30,977	\$858		
2006	\$35,359	\$341		
Totals	'\$265,797	'\$6,543		

\* AGGW raises funds for our operating expenses (the website, event supplies, food, printed materials, covering credit card fees so orgs get 100%) from the sale of bake sale items, raffle tickets, gift cards and round up donation.

\*\* Organizations may participate only 2 out of 3 years in a row.



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<b>Student Driven Solutions</b>	\$8	A handbook and learning materials for one student for a 5-month program	J		J	
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	\$50	Transport for a mentor to reach our school each week for a 5-month program	L		L	
LOCAL/DOMESTIC ORGANIZATIONS						
<b>CCI Health &amp; Wellness Services</b>	\$10	Take-home bags of dental supplies for three children	M		M	
	\$25	Brand new books to encourage early literacy for five children	N		N	
	\$70	A newborn welcome bag of baby essentials for a low-income family	O		O	
<b>Hilltop Microfinance Initiative</b>	\$15	Marketing materials to promote a low-income business	P		P	
	\$30	A financial coaching session for a low-income entrepreneur	Q		Q	
	\$50	A matched contribution for a small business loan (ex: fridge)	R		R	
<b>Homeless Children's Playtime Project</b>	\$15	Baby wipes for a week for one infant enrolled in Playtime	S		S	
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	\$70	Snacks for one night of Playtime at DC General Family Shelter	U		U	
<b>Legal Resource Center on Violence Against Women</b>	\$20	20 relocation guides or other materials for survivors	V		V	
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	\$50	Legal information to a survivor relocating with children	X		X	
<b>Lets Play America</b>	\$5	Box of Sidewalk Chalk for Play Events	Y		Y	
	\$40	Face Paints for 200 kids & adults to be who they dream to be	Z		Z	
	\$50	A weighted Hula-Hoop so teens & adults can join the fun	AA		AA	
<b>Meals on Wheels of Takoma Park</b>	\$7	Lunch and dinner for a homebound Takoma Park resident	BB		BB	
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	\$35	Student guitar or Djembe drum OR 2 lessons for band student	FF		FF	
	\$60	Fully equip a guitar student OR 4 lessons for a band student	GG		GG	
<b>Project Youth Artreach Artivate</b>	\$10	10 lbs of clay for pottery workshops for incarcerated teens	HH		HH	
	\$25	Blank journals for 6 incarcerated youth in Literature Club	II		II	
	\$100	A West-African drumming workshop for incarcerated youth	JJ		JJ	
<b>Shepherd's Table</b>	\$30	Socks and underwear for 10 people	KK		KK	
	\$40	Brunch for 10 people	LL		LL	
	\$50	Dinner for 12 people	MM		MM	
<b>Star Gazing Farm Animal Sanctuary</b>	\$5	A day of fresh spring greens for rescued rabbits and guinea pigs	NN		NN	
	\$20	Straw bedding to keep the animals warm in winter	OO		OO	
	\$50	A week's hay for a flock of elderly sheep, goats, alpacas, & cows	PP		PP	
<b>TPMS Difference Makers</b>	\$15	Shoveled walks & stairs for three elderly or disabled local residents	QQ		QQ	
	\$30	A birthday gift, party favors, and a piñata for 3 homeless children	RR		RR	
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Student Driven Solutions	\$5	Snacks and drinks to 15 students while at school				
LOCAL						
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Homeless Children's Playtime Project	\$2	Baby wipes for a day for one infant enrolled in Playtime	kd		kd	
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Project Youth Artreach/Artivate	\$4	Blank journal for an incarcerated youth in Literature Club	kg		kg	
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