

2022-2023 Donation Pick-Up Update

For over 20 years, A Wider Circle has provided furniture and household goods to families transitioning out of homelessness, escaping domestic violence, or simply living without their basic necessities. This work is not possible without donations of gently-used items by you, our community. We are continually humbled by your generosity, which allows us to serve more than 10,000 children and adults each year.

Over the years, we have learned a few things about the families we serve, including which items are most critical in setting up homes where they can thrive. Beds, sofas, dressers, and dining sets are our most-requested items, with an overwhelming majority of the families we serve needing one or more of these furniture pieces. Families typically have limited space in the transportation they use to pick up their items as well as in their homes (often small rental apartments or public housing units). Because of this, we need to focus our efforts and resources on securing the items our families need most.

With this in mind, we are now offering our pick-up service exclusively for furniture donations that meet one of the following criteria:

- Donations that include one of our 4 most requested items:
 - Mattress and/or box spring (with or without bedframe, headboard or footboard)
 - o Sofa or upholstered living room chair
 - Dresser
 - Dining table and/or set of dining chairs
- If donations do not include one of the 4 items above, they should **include at least 3 pieces of furniture.** Pieces include but are not limited to:
 - Coffee tables
 - End tables
 - Desks (up to 48")
 - Bookshelves (up to 6'X3')
 - Office chairs
 - Stools
 - Credenzas
 - Buffets
 - Small cabinets
 - Cribs
 - Changing tables

Donors with smaller items on our wishlist are encouraged to drop off at our Center for Community Service, located at 9159 Brookville Road in Silver Spring, during our drop-off hours:

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
- Note: As of 6/1/2023, A Wider Circle is no longer open on Sundays. Additionally, to serve our clients as effectively as possible, we are closed for drop-off donations on Thursdays.