## **SMILE BAGS SUPPLIES**

After receiving surgery, each patient receives a Smile Bag, the perfect gift to cheer up a healing child. Smile Bags are filled with small personal care items as well as toys, stickers and a mirror to see their new smile. We need volunteers to collect personal care items.

Please place like items in separate plastic grocery or zip top bags to be properly sorted upon arrival. For example, place all shampoo in one plastic bag, all soap in another, and so on. We have a group of volunteers at Operation Smile Headquarters that will pack them when they arrive.

## **Needed Supplies**

Operation Smile needs the following items to include in patient Smile Bags. **Only new items will be accepted.** 

- Small shampoo bottles (.85 to 1.4 oz hotel/travel size, screw-on top preferred)
- Small combs
- Wash cloths
- Bars of soap (small hotel/travel size)
- Travel-sized toothpaste (must be at least 1 year from expiration date)
- Individually packaged child-sized toothbrushes
- Small stuffed animals
- 8- or 10-pack box of crayons
- Thin 8.5" x 11" coloring book or smaller
- Small pocket-sized mirrors

Please be aware of the following:

- **Combs:** Please send wide-tooth combs; do not send pocket combs as they easily break during transportation.
- **Toothpaste:** When sending toothpaste, please be aware of the expiration date. We are unable to send toothpaste within 1 year of the expiration date.
- Toothbrushes: Please send toothbrushes in packs of 1 or 2, not more. We are unable to send items outside of their original packaging.
- Crayons: When sending crayons please send them in packs of 8 to 10 or smaller.
- We do not send conditioner, body wash or lotion on any of our surgical programs.
- We can't accept large personal hygiene items.
- We can't accept any type of food product, candy or chewing gum; shipping regulations prohibit sending food items across international borders.