## **Approved Need Request Categories**

**Bed** (Twin or Full) My Student in Need can only post for a bed for the student, not parents.

**Clothing** (jeans, sweat pants, shorts, shirts, sweatshirts, dress clothing)

**Underwear** (includes underpants, undershirts, bras, socks) For sanitary reasons, all underwear must be new and in the package.

**Shoes** (tennis shoes, dress shoes, sandals)

**Coats** (Cold weather & light jackets)

**Winter Boots** 

Hats, gloves scarves

**Bus/Transit Passes** – Local transportation only. (Passes cannot be requested for a Student who has been removed from the public school bus for disciplinary reasons)

## **Bicycle**

**Musical Instrument** (May include a used instrument donated to the school music program or the student or some schools have a low cost rental program that a donor can donate the amount of the fee.)

## **School Supplies**

**Backpacks** 

**Personal Hygiene Supplies** (Deodorant, Shampoo, Soap, Feminine supplies)

**Towels & Bedding** 

**Emergency Food** (Generally food is available through other community resources, however, we can provide a "backpack"

**Sports "equipment"** (like shoes or cleats, shorts, gloves, knee pads, etc. The rule here is—reasonable)

**Camps, sports fees** (generally My Student in Need does not provide assistance with these needs, however, given that we understand the importance of student participation in activities that keep students motivated and engaged in their education, we will consider each of these needs on a case by case basis before saying "no")

**Other** (the major determining factors will be reasonable expense and "need")

Excluded Needs – vehicle expenses, gas, insurance, driver's license fees, vehicle repairs, telephone fees.

NOTE: Student needs are often fulfilled with gift cards. Gift cards MUST be used by the teacher to purchase the "needed" items.