

BUY NOTHING TIPS FOR NEW MEMBERS

You may have noticed that this group is a little different to some.

Here are a few tips to help get you started:

- This is a gifting group. Everything is free and people are not asking where to buy things. Please no referrals or links to businesses (exception, when gifting ONLY.) Don't offer cash or trades.
- The best way to jump into this group is to start giving! This is a great way to introduce yourself and generate some goodwill.
- You can choose to give your gifts to whomever you'd like, for whatever reason. You may choose someone randomly or in some more creative way. It is nice to leave your offers open for a period of time (we suggest at least 12-24 hours) so that everyone gets a chance to see them and express interest. This is not a first come group, unless the giver chooses to do it that way.
- No private messaging to people asking/begging for them to give you a certain item. Please report to Admin, if this happens. This group operates on transparent communication. Private messages should only be used to exchange pick-up information.
- Don't be discouraged if you are not picked to receive an item you really want! You are free to post your own requests at any time. You'll get best results if you introduce yourself and explain how the item you are seeking will enhance your life. This is a neighbor to neighbor gifting group so please communicate as you would in-real-life, avoiding impersonal abbreviations/acronyms (ISO, IDNO etc.).
- There is no need to delete your posts or comments in this group. It is our legacy of giving! It's great for new members to be able to scroll through and see what kinds of things have been offered and

asked for! It is really helpful if you can edit your post to say it has been Gifted/Received/Fulfilled once it has.

- We love posts of Gratitude! It makes everyone feel good to see that people appreciate the gifts they receive - photos are a bonus!
- Please read the welcome message you were sent when you joined (check your "Other" folder in Messenger if you haven't seen it), and browse through Admin Tips & Tip Tuesdays for more information on our Worldwide Hyperlocal Gifting Economy.
- Scroll through the posts to see all the activity going on in your neighborhood! If a post is marked *GIFTED* it is no longer being offered to the group, as a recipient has been chosen and the item has been gifted. If a post is marked *RECEIVED* or *FULFILLED*, it means a member's Ask has been fulfilled. Please don't ever remove a post as the posts on this page are the legacy of our giving and evidence of our community!
- Have fun and get to know others in your community!