

# Holiday Hints

## Money-Saving Gift Ideas

(NAPSA)—This holiday season, there are plenty of great gifts to give that won't break the bank. Try these suggestions for affordable presents you can feel good about giving:

### Go Evergreen

There are a number of green products that will keep giving back to the Earth long after the holidays pass. Try checking the Web to find eco-friendly gifts for under \$50, such as kid-safe toys, clothing, games, artwork, pet products and more. Look for items made from recycled or repurposed materials with nontoxic paints and dyes.

### Inspire With A Donation

Surprise and inspire friends on your list by donating to a charity of their choice. If you're not sure what organization to donate to, visit a site such as [www.NetworkforGood.org](http://www.NetworkforGood.org) and choose the amount you want to give. Your recipient can then choose from more than 1.5 million organizations to receive the donation. Just be sure to research the organization first in order to understand exactly where the money is going.

### Peace Of Mind

The tough economy has made this the season for celebrating functional gifts, especially for people who have it all. Try giving peace of mind year-round with a practical but thoughtful present such as a fire-resistant file or chest. Sentry®Safe, the world leader in residential and small-



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office security storage containers, offers a broad range of safe models, sizes and protection levels at Target and Walmart stores. They can provide your loved ones with a safe place to protect their wills, home deeds, car titles, birth certificates, passports, old pictures of the family and favorite collectibles.

### Handmade Made Easy

Eighty-two percent of Americans say they would rather receive a photo album of times shared together than a store-bought gift, according to [www.newdream.org](http://www.newdream.org). Such presents are unique and meaningful and usually spark the emotion that the giver loves to see on the recipient's face. Plus, you don't have to be crafty to give handmade gifts. There are many Web sites that highlight artisans around the country. For more affordable gift ideas, you can visit [www.sentrysafe.com](http://www.sentrysafe.com).