

# YOU CAN MAKE A LITTLE ART GO A LONG WAY



## RECEIVING A CARE PACKAGE? GREAT! RECEIVING A CARE PACKAGE COVERED IN ORIGINAL ARTWORK? ...EVEN BETTER!

*Show your appreciation for our military heroes while showing off your art skills. Work on this service project solo or challenge your family, friends, classmates and co-workers to see who can come up with the best designs!*

### HOW IT WORKS:

**FIRST** gather your supplies. You'll need flat care package boxes and whatever art mediums you plan to use. The sky is the limit in terms of how creative you want to get with your project. Tried and true classics include: pencil, sharpie, crayon, and colored pencil. Paint can warp the box if applied too thickly. Stickers, paper mache, paint pens, washi tape, and patterned duct tape are all fun ways to get your ideas onto your canvas—the box.

Don't think you have what it takes? Nonsense. Write your favorite quote, cover the box in newsprint or magazine cut-outs, or take this opportunity to tell your most cringe-worthy Dad jokes. The thought is truly what counts here and won't go unnoticed. Check out the back of this page for inspiration!



"...I AM VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE WONDERFUL ARTWORK THAT WAS ON THE BOX. IT HAS BEEN ADDED TO MY WALL AND WILL STAY HANGING UP FOR THE DURATION OF MY DEPLOYMENT..."

-PACKAGES FROM HOME RECIPIENT

**NEXT** follow our box decorating guidelines below and cover the boxes with uplifting pictures and messages for our military heroes overseas!

#### Be Branch Friendly

Care packages are sent to Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, Coasties, Airmen, Reservists and everyone in between, so please use greetings and artwork that can be sent to servicemembers from any branch of the military. For example, "Dear Hero," "Dear Serviceperson," and "Dear Defender of Freedom" are all great options.

#### Stay Positive

Keep your words and artwork positive, encouraging, and uplifting! If something makes you happy, chances are, it will make our troops happy, too! Be sure to thank them and please avoid political, religious, and controversial topics, as we support men and women from all walks of life.

#### Encourage a Response

If you like, include your email address or social media tag with your letter or artwork. Troops frequently write back when they have the time!

We will be applying a postage sticker to the box when shipping, so please note: art in the designated postage square will not show.

**THEN**, snap a photo of you with your masterpiece and upload to Instagram using the hashtag: #alittleartgoesalongway don't forget to tag @PackagesFromHome to have your artwork featured on our feed!

**FINALLY** take your decorated box(es) and drop-off or mail to Packages From Home. **Please leave boxes flat and unassembled. Do not assemble boxes before dropping off or mailing.** We will assemble, fill, and ship them to our U.S. military service members overseas.

