

## **Tactful Request Formula**

This is my formula for a tactful request to someone who insists on bestowing unwanted gifts and other generous donations on you whether you want/need them or not.

- 1. Lead in with a compliment...most likely on how generous they are.
- 2. Continue with a little gratitude...
- 3. Then comes the BUT...State your concerns about the action involved.
- 4. You may want to add something here about your goal to cut down on clutter in your home...
- 5. You could also suggest other more appropriate (non-clutter) ways they can contribute to you if they insist on wanting to give you something.
- 6. Now is when the request comes in with a little lacing of more gratitude for sweetener...

Good luck I hope it works for you. Feel free to share your success or even failure stories with us, so we know if the formula works.