Guide to Assembling Homeless Outreach Kits

Not everyone who is homeless feels safe asking for help. And, not everyone who is homeless can be in our shelter or qualify for one of our housing programs.

We offer outreach to homeless people on the street who don't come in for services, offering some of the basics needed to survive outside. The outreach kits you make will help our staff start building trust and then hopefully a connection to deeper services. You can donate these items as an individual or as part of a group activity.

Inside a gallon size ziploc bag, collect:

- $5 gift card to a restaurant*
- Pair of cotton socks
- Pair of underwear (boxers preferred)
- Pop top can/pouch of tuna or chicken
- Bottle of water
- Travel size first aid kit
- Razor
- Deodorant
- Handwipes
- Summer:
  - Rain Poncho + Sunscreen or bug repellent
- Winter:
  - Stocking cap + Handwarmers/Gloves

* Helps with food and getting out of the heat, rain, or cold.

Where to deliver your kits:

- Administrative Office
  - 2121 Dewey Ave, Evanston
  - Monday – Friday, 8:30a – 4:30p
- Hilda’s Place
  - 1458 Chicago Ave, Evanston (basement entrance located of the alley on northwest corner of Lake Street Church)
  - Sunday – Saturday, 6:00p – 9:00p

Questions:

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