

NEEDS LIST

You can help as we endeavor to meet the most basic needs of men, women, and children experiencing homelessness in Central and South Centra Indiana.

CLOTHING Men's, Women's, Children's

(new or gently used; all sizes, especially XL-4X)

Coats, jackets, rain ponchos

New Underwear

Pajamas

Pants, shirts

Shoes, flip-flops, sandals, shower shoes

Sweatpants and Sweatshirts

Winter boots

Accessories: belts, hats, scarves, gloves

OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATIONS

(sealed + original containers)

Antacid tablets

Children's teething gel, Children's Tylenol

Cold/sinus medication (non-alcoholic)

Cough drops, cough syrup (non-alcoholic)

Hand warmers

Pain relievers (aspirin, ibuprofen, acetaminophen)

PediaSure, Pedialyte

LINENS

(new or gently used)

Bath towels, wash cloths

Bed/Crib sheets (twin, twin xl)

Blankets

New standard size bed pillows

Standard size pillow cases

HYGIENE ITEMS

(both travel and full sizes)

Baby wipes, baby shampoo

Body wash, soap, skin lotion

Chapstick

Chucks (disposable, waterproof bed pads)

Cornstarch powder, foot powder

Cotton balls

Deodorant (men's and women's)

Diapers, pull-ups

Disposable razors, shaving cream

Ethnic hair care products

Nail clippers

Shampoo, conditioner, moisturizer, hair relaxer

Toothbrushes, toothpaste

GROCERY ITEMS

Butter/margarine

Coffee (regular + decaf), creamer

Condiments (mayo, BBQ, ketchup, mustard, salad dressing)

Disposable tableware

Eggs

Fresh, frozen, canned fruit + vegetables

Fruit juice (cans, bottles)

Meats (fish, chicken, ham, beef)

Milk, nonfat dry milk, juice, lemonade, other drink mixes

Oatmeal, cereal

Paper napkins, paper towels, paper plates

Peanut butter, jelly

Spices (salt, pepper, onion, garlic, Italian)

Sugar (granulated, brown, powdered)

Indianapolis Drop-off:

Donation Center located at 2728 S. Madison Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46225

Bloomington Drop-off:

Center for Men located at 215 S. Westplex Ave., Bloomington, IN 47404

More Info:

Call our Administrative Office at 317.635.3575 or visit our website, Wheeler Mission.org



COLLECTION DRIVES:

A How-to Guide

Direct all questions, comments, and ideas to Info@WheelerMission.org or 317.635.3575.



STP 1: Choose a Drive

There are a variety of drives from which to choose. Choosing the right drive for you and your team can make all the difference between a low interest and an exciting and compelling drive.

Collection Drive Ideas

Food collection **New Bibles** Personal hygiene Create-a-drive Bedding, blankets, towels Warm coats and clothing Easter baskets School supplies Holiday food and gifts



STEP 2: Motivate Your Team

Getting others involved is the key to success. Ideas: Competitive-provide a way for one team to "out do" the other; Compassion-make your team aware of needs they are meeting; Contribution-everyone has something to give.

Motivational Tools

Progress-o-meter Appreciation gifts

Trophies and plaques Pizza party Celebration event photos Social media recognition Matching gift program Special shout outs



STEP 3: Promote the Drive

Building and sustaining the participation of a drive team is important. Use announcements, posters, and collection boxes to keep your team aware of details and deadlines. Wheeler literature is also available.

Promotional Tools

Announcements Drive collection boxes Sample display items

Volunteer log sheets Social media and website Text messaging

Flyers and posters

Email Meetings



STEP 4: Post-drive Planning

- Complete log sheet of man hours
- Assign a team member to arrange delivery of items and log sheet to Wheeler Mission
- Schedule a tour of Wheeler with your Drive team



STEP 5: Special Recognition

Celebrate your team's accomplishments with a special party, meeting, or gathering. Provide a meaningful memento of what was accomplished.

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For more info: To volunteer:

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