

MEN'S SHELTER CARE PACKAGES

Assemble individual care packages of essential items for your local men's shelters

Impact

Cause: Provide much-needed relief and build hope for homeless men in your local area.

Beneficiaries: Men and boys make up 61% of the homeless population according to the HUD Exchange. Donating resources to your local Men's Shelter will help improve these men's lives by providing strength and hope with the goal of creating inspiration to flourish in life.

Project description: Assemble care packages of essential items for local men's homeless shelters. The needs of each shelter may differ depending upon your location. Contact the shelter to ask what resources are needed. Commonly requested items include toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, socks, sandals, bottled water, and non-perishable food items such as granola bars.

In addition, participants could reach out to COGWA headquarters to request church booklets to place in each individual bag. Not all shelters allow religious solicitation, so we recommend verifying this with your local shelter before packing. If solicitation is not allowed, participants could write encouraging notes instead, providing these homeless men with much needed comfort and encouragement.

After purchasing and packing the items, the group will travel to the shelter to personally donate the bags.

Let's do this!

- Select a men's facility to support, contact them to determine what items are needed, and confirm they allow religious pamphlets.
- Create the packing event and confirm the number of participants.
- Submit Grant Form to hilltopoutreach@foundationoutreachintl.org for a maximum of \$500.00 grant funding.
- Purchase items, assign roles, and host the event!
- Share! Take plenty of selfies and videos to inspire others to get involved #hilltopoutreach.

We'd love to see and hear your feedback! Please send a note and pictures capturing the event's success back to the Hilltop Team!

Volunteer Benefits

This project will provide volunteers with an opportunity to serve their community and help fulfill Jesus Christ's mandate in Matthew 5:14-16 to be a light to the world.

Participation Requirements

This activity is suitable for all ages and abilities. No special training, waivers, or skills are required to participate.

This project is expected to yield 40 to 50 individual care packages with the maximum grant of \$500.00 provided by the Hilltop Outreach Program.

Recommendations

Project budget: \$500.00 maximum grant

Group size: 4-10 participants

Expected output: 40-50 care packages

Locations: Smoke free residence or church hall

Event duration: 3 hours

Creating awareness:

- Church bulletin
- Facebook group
- Email list