

SERVICE 4 THE HOMELESS

Winter Apparel Drive for Those in Need

Materials: Hats, gloves, scarves, pens, cardstock (cut into small note-size pieces), ribbon, scissors

Time: 30-60 minutes

Cost: \$10

Prep: Three weeks prior to the event, contact your local homeless shelter/soup kitchen and ask about current donation needs.

Next, create a list of donation items and distribute the list to students and families. Two weeks before the event, advertise the drive and list of items you are collecting at your school. Prepare a place to collect donations from members.

During the event

1. Write Gospel-motivated notes and prayers for the people receiving the items. These can include Bible verses, a prayer for safety, and other uplifting words.
2. Sort the collected items for the homeless shelter/ soup kitchen.
3. Package all collected and sorted items. Make sure to include the notes you created for each recipient.
4. Deliver to the homeless shelter/ soup kitchen and pray with the employees that these items will bless the people receiving them. Pray that God will be their rock and foundation and that they receive the care they need--mental, physical, or emotional--so they might lead stable lives and find the housing they need.

