



# SERVICE PROJECTS

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Imagine not being able to afford the items you need to keep yourself, your children, and your home clean. That's exactly what happens to many families. Food stamps cannot be used for cleaning or personal care products, and families living on minimum wage need all their income for housing and utilities. That's why we're asking for your help.

By choosing one of our service projects, you can serve families who are struggling to be self-sufficient.

- (1) Decide which project your group will do.
- (2) Collect the items for the project.
- (3) Assemble the items in kits as described and deliver them to Sharing Connections.

Each month we directly help over 300 individuals who come to Sharing Connections by providing them with furniture and basic household supplies. Together we can continue to build a community where every person's needs are met.

Please include **ALL** the items listed in each kit of the project.

Thank you for providing as many kits as your group is comfortable assembling.

*Check the other side for Cool Things Kids Can Do for Sharing Connections!*

## PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

We need these items:

- Toothpaste
- Bars of soap
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Lotion
- Pack of Razors
- Shaving Cream

*Additionally you can provide the following items in bulk so we can supply them to our clients: Toothbrushes, Deodorant, Feminine Hygiene Products.*

## SHARING SHOPPER

- Paper towels/Toilet paper
- Toothbrushes/Toothpaste
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Dish Soap
- Laundry Soap
- Bar Soap
- Diapers (sizes 1-5)
- Bath/Hand/Kitchen towels

*Purchase or collect any of our most needed items and bring them to the warehouse.*

## CLEANING BUCKETS

- 1 Roll paper towels
- 1 Roll toilet paper
- Window cleaner
- Floor cleaner
- All purpose disinfectant cleaner
- 1 Soap bar
- New sponge
- Dish soap
- Kitchen cleanser
- Other cleaning products may also be added.

## NEWBORN BABY LAY-ETTE

- 1 Baby blanket, quilt or afghan
- 1 Receiving blanket
- 1 Baby towel
- 1 Baby wash cloth
- 1 Soft toy or book
- 1 Baby bottle
- 1 Pack diapers
- 1 Pack wipes
- 1 Container baby ointment

Assemble items in a white plastic garbage bag. Tie bag shut using gift ribbon. Place bag in a laundry basket.

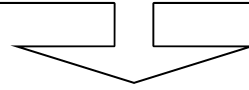
## LAUNDRY BASKETS

- Bath towels—3 sets
- Laundry soap
- Fabric softener or dryer sheets
- Bleach
- Stain remover

Please try to color coordinate whenever possible. Arrange items in a laundry basket.



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**MAKE FLEECE BLANKETS**

Lay two pieces of fleece fabric 45" by 60" on top of each other. Cut fringe 1" wide by 4" deep on all four edges of both fabrics. Tie each fringe piece of the top fabric with the fringe piece on the bottom fabric. Results: One fringed double weight fleece blanket.

**UNDERWEAR AND SOCKS**

Wrap a new pair of underwear or socks with a ribbon as a gift for another kid.

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

Collect new school supplies to share with other kids and schools.

Items needed include pens, pencils, three-ring binders, notebook paper, notebooks, rulers, erasers, colored markers or pencils, crayons, and school glue. Supplies can be packaged as school kits.

**MAKE FLEECE SCARVES AND HATS**

Visit a local fabric store for ideas and patterns.

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