



Shelter Network

In-Kind Donations Needs List

Your donations are given free to the homeless families and individuals in our programs.

Feel free to contact us at 650-685-5880 ext. 14 if you have any questions.

Shelter Network is committed to providing housing and support services that create opportunities for homeless families and individuals to re-establish self-sufficiency and to return to permanent homes of their own.

Thank you for your support!

ITEMS WE NEED

Children's Supplies

- disposable diapers (especially large sizes)
- school supplies, arts & crafts supplies
- educational toys that are like-new

Kitchen Items

- can-openers, pots, pans
- paper plates, bowls, cups
- plastic and silver utensils
- paper towels, napkins
- aluminum foil, plastic wrap
- toasters, coffee makers, microwaves

All Toiletries and Feminine Hygiene Products

Cleaning Supplies

Office Supplies

- copy paper (white and colored), file folders
- envelopes, labels, binder tab dividers
- writing pads, scotch tape & dispensers

Clothing – must be clean and folded

(We simply don't have the resources, volunteers, or staff available to accept items if they aren't ready to use.)

- **MOST NEEDED:** sweaters, coats, large-size
- business-attire for men and women
- children's clothing if it is like-new
- **NEW** underwear and socks

Household Items

- sheets, pillows, blankets
- towels and washcloths
- trash cans and liners
- lamps, TVs, alarm clocks (working only)
- flashlights, batteries
- extension cords, tool kits

Gift Certificates

to grocery stores, department stores, shoe stores, pharmacies, gas stations

ITEMS WE CANNOT ACCEPT

Our free services are possible because of the community's generous in-kind donations and financial support. Because we have limited storage space, and in order to minimize disposal costs and overhead, we can only accept items our residents can use immediately in the shelter or in their small apartments once they move out. Regrettably, we cannot accept:

Dirty, torn, or broken items

Carseats or Cribs (for safety reasons)

Desktop computers (over 3 yrs old)

Any item in need of repair

Knick-knacks

Carpeting

Candles

Wine glasses or any alcohol-related items

We can only accept **furniture donations if they can be immediately used in our facilities**. Please contact the **Communications Assistant at 650-685-5880 ext. 14** to discuss if your donations would be of use to our program right now. We do pick-ups of furniture items from locations in San Mateo County about once a month. Thank you for understanding our limited resources and storage space. We have partnerships with other organizations that specialize in receiving certain donations, storage, and distribution to people in need, including:

Furniture donations if they won't work for us at this time: St. Vincent de Paul (650-343-4405), The Salvation Army (800-95-TRUCK), Goodwill (888-446-6394), Ecumenical Hunger Program (650-323-7781)

Baby Items: Project Warm Hug (650-468-3065)