

# Dorothy Day House

## **How to Create a Donation Drive**

- Reach out to our Donations Coordinator to let us know you are hosting a drive. We can help you choose items that will make the most impact on the families we work with.
- Pick a theme to make the donation drive memorable. For example, an underwear and sock drive, toiletries drive, baby items drive, cleaning supplies, laundry supplies, or food pantry items. Fun names are always a plus.
- **Set a start and end date.** Let our staff know so we can be expecting a large donation.
- Provide a clear list of the items you are collecting. Use posters, flyers, emails, and social media to tell the group what to donate. Contact us and we can send you our logos! Encourage people to visit our website to learn about what we do at www.dorothydaymemphis.org.
- Provide clearly marked boxes or tubs in centralized and visible locations if you are doing an in-person donation drive.
- Designate group members to deliver the donations to the Dorothy Day House. Donations can be delivered to our warehouse space 9am to 4pm, Monday Friday. Please contact us to set up a drop-off time.

## Questions?

Contact Aileen Palmer, Donations Coordinator at 901-726-6760 or apalmer@dorothydaymemphis.org with any questions or to set up a delivery.











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## **Accepted In-kind Donations**

#### Kitchen Items

- 13 gallon kitchen trash bags
- 4 gal bathroom trash bags
- Zip lock bags (all sizes)
- Tupperware
- Large paper plates & bowls
- SOLO cups
- Tin foil & plastic wrap
- Dish washer pods
- Dish soap and scrubbers
- Hand soap (not bulk)
- Paper Towels

#### **Toiletries**

Full size only!

- Toothbrushes and toothpaste (adult and childrens')
- Products for Natural/Textured hair
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Bar soap & body wash (adult and childrens')
- Deodorant
- Body lotion
- Women's razors & shaving cream
- Feminine Pads
- Baby diapers
- Baby wipes
- Toilet paper
- Kleenex

## **Cleaning Supplies**

- Laundry detergent pods
- Dryer sheets
- Bleach
- Toilet cleaner
- Cleaning sprays (degreaser, all purpose, bathroom surface, kitchen, dusting, lysol disenfectant, febreeze)
- Murphy's Oil Soap
- Swiffer wet wipes Clorox/Lysol disinfectant wipes
- Drain clog remover/Drain-o
- Toilet brushes
- Brooms and dust pans
- Mops and buckets

#### Miscellaneous

- New underwear /undershirts/socks- all sizes
- Gift cards to Kroger/Target/Old Navy/Home Depot
- Gas Gift cards
- Bus passes (whole day)
- "Forever" postage stamps
- Tool kits
- Flash lights
- TV antennas

#### **Bedrooms**

- New pillows
- Twin, full, and queen sheet sets and comforters
- Mattress Cover twin, full, queen sizes

## **Accepted In-kind Donations Cont'd**

New, gently used and clean items only please – no tears, stains, or needed repairs.

#### Household Items

- Bed frames
- Dressers
- Side tables
- Lamps
- Couches
- Rugs
- Coffee tables
- TVs
- DVD players
- Kitchen tables for 4-6
- Kitchen chairs
- High chairs or booster seats
- Trashcans
- Plastic or nonbreakable Dishes/Cups
- Silverware sets
- Cutting boards/knives
- Mixing bowls
- Cooking utensils
- Oven mitts/ Kitchen towels
- Baking sheets
- Pots/pans
- Coffee makers
- Toasters
- Crock pots
- Microwaves
- Shower curtains
- Shower curtain rings
- Bath mats
- Toilet scrubbers
- Mops and buckets
- Brooms and dust pans
- Alarm clocks
- Irons

#### Household Items

- Laundry baskets
- Bath towels, hand towels, and washcloths
- Bed frames Twin, full, queen
- Bed platforms Twin, full, queen
- Bunk bed
- Trundle bed
- New Mattress Twin, full, queen
- New Box Spring Twin, full, queen (n
- Cribs
- Dressers
- Chest of drawers
- Night stands
- Bedroom lamps

### **NOT Accepted**

- No large dining sets, china cabinets or buffets
- No sectionals or sofa beds
- No king size mattresses, bed frames or platforms
- No decorative items pictures, wall hangings, sculptures, etc.
- No juicers, rice cookers, pressure cookers, waffle irons
- No large rugs
- No glass top tables