



## **IDEAS – Covenant House New York**

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**February 14<sup>th</sup> Open House: Time: 9-5pm**

### **Ways to Help:**

1. Underwear for both males and females (small through plus sizes)
2. Socks
3. Undershirts (men), Camisoles (Women)
4. Belts
5. Pajamas
6. Bed Slippers
7. Wash Cloths & Toiletries
8. Interview Attire (suits, ties, dress shirts, shoes, socks – female & male)
9. General Gift Cards
  - Payless Shoe Source
  - CVS/Rite Aid/ Duane Reade
  - Grocery Stores in New York (C-Town, Fairway, Pathmart, etc.)
  - Department Stores
  - Convenient Restaurants (McDonalds, Burger King, Dunkin Donuts, Subway, Pizza Hut, Wendy's KFC, Taco Bell, etc.)
  - Home Improvement Stores (Home Depot, Bed Bath & Beyond, The Container Store, etc.)
10. Make Covenant House your cause on Facebook, MySpace, whatever your thing is, and your voice matters.

**Fulfill the immediate needs of all of our youth:**

11. Donate Beauty Items (i.e. products for all ethnic hair types, make-up, nail polish)
12. Donate Eye Care items (i.e. contact solution and accessories)
13. Donate Hair Care (i.e. shampoo, conditioner, hair products, razors, after shave, combs, brushes, picks)
14. Donate First Aid supplies (i.e. first aid kits, Band-Aids, fire prevention supplies)
15. Donate NYC Transit Metro Cards
16. Donate Clothing:
  - Adult coats
  - Sneakers
  - Jeans & khakis
  - T-shirts
  - Sweatshirts
  - Sweaters
  - Sweatsuits
  - Thermals
  - Handbags
  - Shower shoes (flip flops)
  - All sizes – S through XXL
17. Donate personal items:
  - Blankets
  - Pillows
  - Clothes hangers
  - Large towels
  - Twin sheet sets
  - Comforters

**Fulfill the comfort needs of our youth:**

18. Donate entertainment items:
  - Radios
  - Magazines
  - Motivational movies
  - Motivational books
  - Inspirational CDs
  - MP3 players
  - Portable CD players
  - Digital Cameras
  - Balls for our recreation center (basketball, football, soccer)
  - DVD players
  - Board & Card games
  - AV cords
  - Batteries (AA and AAA)
  - Movie gift cards
  - Extension cords
  - I Tunes gift cards
19. Donate educational items:
  - USB Flash Drives

- Pens/Pencils
  - Paper – loose-leaf and computer
  - Book bags
  - Highlighters
  - Scientific Calculators
  - Notebooks
  - Loose-leaf binders
  - Barnes & Noble gift cards
  - New computers & printers for our learning center
  - Stamps
  - Envelopes
20. Donate items for the Crisis Center operation:
- Cleaning supplies - general
  - Laundry detergent/fabric softener
  - Sponges
  - Storage containers
  - Kitchen supplies
  - Irons
21. Donate food:
- Non-perishable items
22. Donate vehicle needs:
- Gas cards
  - Car washes
  - Oil changes

### **Moms & Baby needs**

- 23. Sponsor prenatal care items for pregnant youth
- 24. Donate diapers
- 25. Donate baby hygiene products (i.e. wipes, lotion, oil, shampoo, diaper ointment, teething gel)
- 26. Donate Thermometers, breast pumps, monitor, children's OTC medicines
- 27. Donate onesies & socks, clothes, blankets, crib sheets, booties
- 28. Donate NEW baby toys (i.e. rattles, teething rings, blocks)
- 29. Donate carseat, highchair, walkers, Pack n' Play, swing, gates, strollers, changing table
- 30. Donate basic cookbooks for new moms
- 31. Sponsor one month of childcare
- 32. Donate a small swingset

### **Post-Transition/Education/Independence Needs**

- 33. Donate small appliances (i.e. toaster oven, microwave oven, teapot, mini Foreman grills, blender, coffee maker)
- 34. Donate cooking needs (i.e. basic cookbooks, pots, pans, bakeware, utensils, kitchen towels and washcloths)
- 35. Donate a place setting for four
- 36. Donate heavy duty oven-safe ceramic dishes
- 37. Donate storage containers (all sizes and shapes)
- 38. Donate a laptop for a youth going to college
- 39. Donate luggage for youth to move belongings to their new homes

**Things You Can Do:**

40. Hold a fundraiser to buy a new van to transport our youth
41. Host a blanket drive
42. Host a winter drive – scarves, gloves, hats
43. Pay the utility bill for one month for an independent youth
44. Host a carwash fundraiser on behalf of homeless youth
45. Collect new linens for the our kids' beds
46. Host a book drive for motivational and educational books
47. Donate a magazine subscription for a youth
48. Ask young people (classes or youth groups) create Valentine cards for homeless youth
49. Create goodie bags for shelters to use as youth incentives
50. Hold a "Sole Searching" drive to collect dress, casual and athletic shoes for young men and women