

Fox Outreach Project

Connect groups that choose to participate in this project, along with the LIFECHURCH Food Pantry volunteers, are going to reach out to 30 families who have found themselves in varying degrees of homelessness, and whose children are in the Fox School System. We would like to collect the items listed below for each family. Our Connect groups may contribute either monetarily or by donating items needed for these families. We will then have a packaging night where all the donated items will be prepared for delivery on Wednesday, May 4, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the Family Room of the church. Please find below a customized list of the needs for about half of the families. This list will continue to be updated as needs are identified and/or met. Please keep in mind—even if you can't afford to donate money or items, we still need all the help we can get putting the care packages together, organizing donations, and putting the outreach potluck together.

In combined efforts with the Fox School District's social workers, we have organized a potluck outreach on Saturday, May 7, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Fox High School cafeteria. We will be delivering the care packages to the families that can be there in person. This will provide us a great opportunity to meet these people and get to know them. We are also asking all volunteers to bring a dish for the potluck. Also, we would love to set up some special activities for the kids (i.e., face painting, balloon animals, games, etc.). If you have any special talents that would fit into these areas please let us know.

List of General Items for all Families:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste	We have enough toothpaste
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toothbrushes	We have enough toothbrushes
<input type="checkbox"/> Laundry detergent	We need 17 bottles
<input type="checkbox"/> Toilet paper	We need 5 rolls
<input type="checkbox"/> Feminine products	We need 14 boxes or pkgs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Diapers 3's & 4's	We need 1 pkg. of each
<input type="checkbox"/> Paper plates	We need 16 more pkgs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Utensils	We need 11 pkgs.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Soap	We have enough soap
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shampoo & conditioner	We have enough shampoo and conditioner
<input type="checkbox"/> Deodorant	We need 20 sticks of men's deodorant
<input type="checkbox"/> Razors (for boys and girls)	We need 3 more pkgs.
<input type="checkbox"/> Shaving cream	We need 13 more bottles
<input type="checkbox"/> Pillows	We could use at least 6
<input type="checkbox"/> Kleenex	Two boxes are listed, but it wouldn't hurt to have more
<input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning supplies	As of right now, we need all kinds of cleaning supplies and dish soap
<input type="checkbox"/> Gas cards	We need any that can be donated, also need help with room rent
<input type="checkbox"/> Clothes	Could use shorts for ages 3-17 (boys and girls)
<input type="checkbox"/> Shoes	Flip flops (ages 3-17), tennis shoes, size 13 (for boy)
<input type="checkbox"/> Paper Towels	We could use 8-10 more.

One family has only asked for gas cards and help with paying for hotel room. We would also like to try to get some puzzles, toys, activity books, and books for the kids in the hotel rooms. We don't have any cleaning supplies. Hair brushes would be helpful, as well. Household items are also needed—this includes furniture. As for donated clothes, we would really appreciate if you could mark them by sizes before you drop them off. Great job everyone! Thanks!

Specific Family Needs:

1. Dad (injured), mom, and five kids, 4 kids living in the home. 17-year old male, 14-year old male, 13-year old female, 11-year old male.
Needs: She said anything would help but particularly noted toilet paper, laundry and dish soap, deodorant, tooth paste and tooth brushes, and sanitary pads.
Daughter needs tennis shoes. Wears size 7 ½ or 8.
Son (11-year old) needs tennis shoes, size 6 men's.
2. Dad and two sons, 10- and 13-years old, barely hanging on to their home. Needs Section 8 or more affordable housing.
3. Single mom and a 9-year-old boy. Need personal care items (toilet paper, soap, shampoo, tooth paste etc.) 9-year old boy is short and stocky. He wears size 10/12 elastic waist pants. 12/14 to 14/16 top.
4. Dad, mom, and two girls (5 and 7 years old) currently live in Value Place Hotel. Dad works but is having a hard time paying rent and buying gas to get to work. Needs: Help paying hotel rent (\$230 per week) and gas cards.
5. Mom (has a job and is pregnant), 9-year-old girl, and a 5-year-old boy. Mom works but is on medical leave with no pay due to an ovarian cyst. She struggles, even with her small paycheck. This family was homeless a year ago...so she has pulled herself up before and she really tries. She is pregnant, due in September with a baby girl. Father of the baby left her.

Needs: Help with rent (she is one month behind), toilet paper, dish soap, tooth brushes, summer clothing for kids, and diapers and wipes for when baby comes. Kids sizes: girl: 10/12 girls, size 6 shoes; boy: 5T and size 1 shoes.
6. Mom with five kids (one on their own, two living with relatives), two who move place to place with her. She just informed us that her sister is moving and she is taking over renting her mobile home...so she will now have a place to live. The actual switching of the names on the lease has not been done, but she is hoping this will happen soon. They do not have much, so we got more ideas of what they need. We realize this is a huge list, but we thought we would throw it out there. They have one set of bunk beds but need sheets and blankets. The bunk beds are the only beds in the home right now, so they could use more beds. They do not have dishes, pots, pans, utensils, or general kitchen stuff. They need towels, pillows, a laundry basket, chest of drawers, a couch, and washer & dryer. Kids need summer clothing:
Sizes:
13-year old boy: size 6 men's shoes, size 12 boys clothing
11-year old girl: size 10 girls clothing, she is tall for 10-year old, size 4 shoes
9-year old girl: size 5 girls clothing...tall and skinny, size 2 shoe
7-year old boy: size 6 pants/ shorts/ tops. Size 12 shoe
3-year old girl: size 3T or 4T in shorts/pants/tops. Size 10 shoe
7. Mom with four kids (two oldest kids live with their dad) two youngest live with mom and are homeless. Mom left an abusive situation with blind Grandma and four kids. U-Haul caught fire and they lost everything. In need of XL clothing for boy. Mom looking for job and may have one. She has very little clothing and the potential job is business casual dress code.

Needs: Toilet paper, sugar, towels, old spice body wash for 2 older boys, tooth brushes, socks for 2 older boys, men's size, athletic shoes for 2 older boys. Spring/summer clothing for kids.

Sizes:

14-year old boy: adult large shirt, 36 waist, 12 men's shoe

12-year old boy: adult 1XL to 2XL men's tops, 40 waist, 11 men's size shoe

6-year old boy: 5T pants and tops, shoes youth size 2

3-year old boy: 3T pants, 4T top, shoes youth size 11.

Mom: business casual clothing for job- 20 to 22 waist, 3XL tops

8. Single mom with 4 kids. 18-year old female, 12-year old male (recovering from Leukemia), 5-year old twin boys. Mom worked Chrysler but was laid off...trying to get work. May have job but been struggling for a while.

Needs: Shampoo/conditioner, toilet paper, body wash, soap, laundry detergent, dishwasher soap, paper towels, razors, sanitary pads, tampons, deodorant. 18-year old girl has a job and buys her own clothing. She also graduates in a few weeks from Fox HS. Also need spring/summer clothing for the 3 boys, tennis shoes or sandals for twins, socks for twin boys, and adult men's socks for 12-year old. 12-year old boy- size 16 youth in pants/tops, shoes size 9 men's 5-year old twin boys- size 5 pants/shorts/tops, size 13 or 1 shoes

9. Dad (has bladder cancer), mom (staph infection), and three girls (18, 15, and 10-years-old). Mom had hernia surgery from which she has a hole in her stomach that now has a staph infection. Dad has been in and out of the hospital since November for bladder cancer-related illnesses. They had a mobile home. They currently have no car, no food, and the girls need clothes (XL sizes).

10. A 17-year-old girl, who is a lifeguard at the YMCA, is homeless and down to \$80 per week/food stamps and health insurance. She needs clothes: Pants size 6, medium shirts, and size 8 shoes.

11. Single mom with six children (girls: 17, 11, 9, and 3-years-old and boys: 13 and 7-years-old). Mom is homeless, kids living with mom and various relatives.

Needs: blankets, clothing (sorry, no specific sizes listed), help paying daughters prescriptions, and personal items such as shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, razors, deodorant, laundry detergent, dish soap, and cleaning supplies.

12. Single mom and two daughters (17 and 10-years-old) who are living at the Statford Inn.

Needs: storage containers, shampoo, body wash, brushes, sanitary pads, tampons, shavers, toothpaste, laundry detergent, dish soap, cleaning supplies, and clothing (girls size 14 or 16 summer clothing, flip flops size 4 or 5).

13. Mom with five sons (17, 17, 15, 7, and 6 years old). They were homeless but found small apartment.

Needs: Laundry soap, deodorant, shampoo, soap, toilet paper, Kleenex, bottle of cleaning solution, pillows, summer clothing for two youngest sons (6-year-old: size 5 pants or shorts, size 6/7 tops. 7-year-old size 8 to 10 pants/shorts and size 10 tops, needs tennis shoes size 13...likes the black tennis shoes if given choice).

14. (New family to list) Single mom and 3 kids: 17-year old female, 16-year old female, 15-year old male

Needs: Toilet paper, laundry soap, dish soap, shampoo/conditioner, bar bath soap. Summer-type clothing. Tank tops for girls (adult medium) and flip flops for girls (sizes 7/8 and 10/11). Shorts for girls (size 12), tops for girls (small adult). Shirt for boy (XL) and shorts (32 waist). He is long-legged.

15. Husband and wife: husband works for Fox school. Wife has lost her job and they have been evicted.

Their needs are personal items such as deodorant, dish soap, laundry detergent, toilet paper, body soap, razors, shampoo, cleaning items, and socks. Any food would also be greatly appreciated. They do not get food stamps.

16. Single mom, two daughters ages 7 and 4. Homeless and actually living in car. I was able to get her an appointment with Comtrea tomorrow so hopefully she can get a hotel voucher.

Needs: soap, shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper, hair brush, girl's hair accessories (e.g., ponytail holders, barrettes, etc.), toothbrushes, tooth paste, toilet paper, paper plates, plastic cups, napkins, plastic forks and spoons (needed to eat in hotel). The little girls need summer clothing and shoes. 7-year old girl, size 8 or 9 clothing and 2 ½ shoes. 4-year old girl, size 6 clothing and size 1 shoes.

17. Single mom, suffered two heart attacks, husband could not handle stress of her heart illness and left her and their 14-year old. Struggling greatly financially. Needs: food, laundry detergent, and cleaning supplies. Son needs shoes, size 8, but he is very particular. He needs shorts... wears athletic-type, nylon shorts, size 16 boys.

18. Single mom, 6 year old son, and 10 month old baby boy. Living in her parents' basement. Left abusive situation.

Needs: diapers size 3 or 4, dial antibacterial bar soap (one boy allergic to soap), spring/summer clothing for boys, and sock and shoes. Needs a dresser for boys. Size 7 for 6 year old with elastic waist (mom says he is "pudgy" around waist) and size 11 shoes. Baby weighs 25 lbs and is about in size 12 month clothing. Shoe size 2 or 3.

19. Mom and Dad, three kids: female - age 12, male - age 11, male - age 8.

Needs: all three kids need shoes.. 12 year old girl would love the ballerina style flats in white (or whatever color) size 4 ½ girls. 11-year old boy needs athletic shoes size 7 men's. 8-year old boy also needs athletic shoes, size 4 boys.