

HOUSEWARMING BASKETS

**Give the comforts
of home to the formerly homeless**



Housewarming Baskets is a volunteer opportunity for individuals, companies – even small groups of friends – to run a donation drive that helps families moving into a stable home after living in a shelter or on the streets. Drives can be large or small, run out of an office, house of worship, school or home. All it takes is a little organization and commitment to make a huge difference.

How does the program work?

1. Sign up through United Way and let us know how many baskets your organization will be able to provide.
2. We'll connect you to a United Way partner agency that helps families move into permanent homes.
3. Participants select one or more new items needed on a "room list" to donate.
4. Schedule a housewarming basket event in which everyone assembles the baskets. Collect donated items in the week(s) leading up to this event.
5. Deliver your baskets to the social service agency that you're sponsoring.

It's that easy to make a difference in helping a formerly homeless family get back on their feet and stay there.

Thank you for joining the movement!

For more information and to get involved, please contact:

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What goes into a Housewarming Basket?

We have a list for every room in their new home. Here are examples.

Kitchen Basket

- Silverware set
- Pot holders
- Dish towels
- Glassware set
- Full set of pots & pans
- Spatulas
- Can opener
- Wastebasket

Parent's Room Basket

- Queen or full mattress pad
- Queen or full sheet set/pillowcase
- 2 pillows
- Posters/wall prints
- Wastebasket

Living Room Basket

- Throw blanket
- Area rug
- Wall prints/picture frames
- Curtains
- Table lamp

Too busy to shop? Gift cards and monetary contributions are always welcome. Just talk to your company coordinator.

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