



You can make a difference

Community Shelter Board receives support from the City of Columbus, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, the United Way of Central Ohio, The Columbus Foundation, Nationwide Foundation, American Electric Power Foundation, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the State of Ohio, and other public and private investors.



CURRENT NEEDS

Community Shelter Board's network of shelter and housing programs served 12,000 people last year.

Van Buren Center, our community's largest emergency shelter, serves hundreds of people experiencing homelessness every day. You can help stock the shelves with the simple things we all use each day to stay safe, clean and warm.

MOST NEEDED ITEMS

- < socks – *new or gently used*
- < twin sized sheets
- < bath towels
- < baby wipes
- < baby bottles - *new*
- < baby formula – *new, unopened*
- < pacifiers - *new*
- < sippy cups – *new*
- < undergarments for women and children – *new*

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S HYGIENE ITEMS

- < deodorant
- < tampons
- < razors
- < tissues
- < combs & brushes
- < nail clippers
- < hotel toiletries

LINENS (*new or gently used*)

- < twin sized sheets
- < bath towels
- < wash cloths
- < laundry detergent

CHILDREN'S ITEMS

- < pull-up diapers & size 6 diapers
- < baby wipes
- < baby blankets – *new or gently used*
- < bottle brushes – *new*
- < baby powder
- < baby/children's shampoo
- < car seats – *new or gently used*
- < strollers – *new or gently used*

UNDERGARMENTS

- < socks – *new or gently used*
- < undergarments for men, women and children – *new*

WINTER ITEMS FOR ALL AGES

- < hats – *new or gently used*
- < gloves – *new or gently used*
- < scarves - *new or gently used*

These items can be put to good use right away. You can drop things off 24 hours a day at:

Van Buren Center
595 Van Buren Drive
Columbus, Ohio 43223

Questions? Contact the volunteer coordinator at volunteer@csb.org. We cannot accept donations of furniture, cookware, appliances, clothing or toys.

Items we CANNOT accept include:



The following organizations are likely able to accept the items listed above.

Faith Mission

614-224-6617 x2171

245 N. Grant Ave.

Columbus, OH 43215

Donations can be delivered from 7 am to 7 pm daily. To make a donation outside of these times, call 614-224-6617 x2171.

<http://faithmissionofohio.org/>

Goodwill Columbus

614-294-5181

Donations can be made at any of their six retail locations or at one of 14 attended donation centers in Franklin County.

<http://www.goodwillcolumbus.org/>

The Open Shelter

614-222-2885

61 E. Mound St.

Columbus, OH 43215

Donations can be dropped off Monday through Friday from 9 am-2:30 pm. To make a donation outside of these times, call 614-222-2885

<http://theopenshelter.org/>

The Salvation Army

1-800-SA-TRUCK

Donations can be made at any Salvation Army Family Thrift Store. Or schedule a pick up by calling 1-800-SA-TRUCK.

<http://co.salvationarmy.org/CentralOhio/>

United Methodist Free Store

614-445-7342 x14

946 Parsons Ave.

Columbus, OH 43206

Donations can be delivered during Free Store hours only.

<http://www.4allpeople.org/free-store/>

Volunteers of America of Greater Ohio

1-800-873-4505

Donations can be made at any Volunteers of America thrift store or donation drop box. Or find out about free pick-up service by calling 1-800-873-4505.

<http://www.voago.org/>

Westside Free Store

614-351-5480

61 S. Powell Ave.

Columbus, OH 43204

Donations can be delivered to the alley entrance at the back of the church during Free Store hours only.

<http://www.westsidefreestore.org/>