



DONATION GUIDELINES

Your donations of clothing, toiletries and bedding are vital to our mission to help homeless men, women and children achieve self-sufficiency. Our team of volunteers collects, sorts and distributes new and gently used items for Boston area shelters and homeless programs. Due to the drastic rise in homelessness since 2008, the organizations we serve depend more than ever on private donations.

DROP-OFF INSTRUCTIONS

Bring donations to 65 Rosemary Street, Needham, MA, during our drop-off hours.

DONATIONS WE ACCEPT

Clothing for Infants, Children, Men and Women. To affirm the dignity of the individuals we serve, we can only accept items that are *clean and in excellent condition*, including

- Casual jeans and pants
- Shirts, sweaters and jackets
- Infant clothing
- Shoes, sneakers and other footwear in excellent condition
- New underwear, socks (white crew) and bras
- Winter coats
- Hats, scarves, gloves, mittens

Please note: we do not accept professional clothing (see details below)

Household Items

- **Bedding and towels**
Sheets
Blankets
Towels
- **Toiletries.** Travel and full size. Must be new and unopened.

Shampoo and conditioner

Soap (bar and liquid)

Toothpaste and toothbrushes

Deodorant

Body lotion and hand lotion

Lip balm / chapstick (especially with SPF)

Sunscreen

- **Backpacks and large tote bags.** Adult and child.

DONATIONS WE DO NOT ACCEPT

- **Items that are not clean or are not in good condition**
- **Professional clothing, including**
 - Business suits
 - Blazers
 - Dresses and skirts
 - Pocket books (we accept backpacks and larger tote bags)
 - Brief cases
 - Women's high heel shoes
 - Panty hose
- **Kitchenware and appliances**
- **Furniture**
- **Toys and books**
- **Opened toiletries**