Since 1979, Bethesda Project has been providing emergency shelter, housing and supportive services for thousands of individuals experiencing homelessness in Philadelphia. Across its 14 locations, Bethesda Project offers a home and safe environment where guests and residents work with dedicated staff to regain their dignity and self-worth and reach their highest potential.

Your school can join in our mission to be family to those with none in many ways - even through the COVID-19 pandemic!

**Promote Awareness**
- Create lessons and/or projects about homelessness
- Invite a Bethesda Project board or staff member to speak in a virtual class, assembly, or faculty meeting
- Share upcoming Bethesda Project virtual events in mailers to parents/guardians
- Introduce Bethesda Project to school and community leaders in your networks
- Promote (and tag) Bethesda Project as a community partner on your school's social media and/or website

**Support Us Financially:**
- Join our efforts by proving a company grant or other financial gift
- Promote (and match) employee giving or volunteer hours to Bethesda Project
- Participate in a workplace giving campaign
- Support Bethesda Project’s annual Party & Auction or virtual Home Run 5K
- Event sponsorship
- Assemble themed gift basket(s) to auction (including school swag!)
- Host a fundraising virtual or distanced event (walk-a-thon, happy hour, card tournament, “drive-in” movie, etc)

**Virtual Volunteer Opportunities**
- Promote classroom or school-wide remote volunteer opportunities such as:
  - Virtual BINGO with one of our sites
  - Make cards or decorations
  - Creating activity bags for those in quarantine or isolation
  - Organizing welcome kits for shelter guests moving into permanent housing
  - Sponsor an outdoor movie night for guests and residents
  - Create student artwork to create an on-site art gallery for residents to enjoy (distanced)

**Assist Our Operations**
- Organize donation drives for items such as:
  - Cleaning supplies, PPE, coats, clothes, or nonperishable food drive
  - Gift cards for Holiday gifts for guests and residents
  - Make cold/flu kits (sanitizer, tissues, cough drops, thermometers, etc)
  - Sponsor a meal (bagged or take-out)
  - Prepare a reheatable meal

Other ideas? Let’s get creative!

Contact Sarah Carter, Development and Communications Manager, at scarter@bethesdaproject.org for more information!