Since 1979, Bethesda Project has been providing emergency shelter, housing and supportive services for thousands of individuals experiencing homelessness in Philadelphia. Across out 16 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 college/university can join in our mission to be family to those with none in many ways - even through the COVID-19 pandemic!

**Volunteer Opportunities**
*Virtual + Onsite*
- Promote individual major- or club-related skills based projects or volunteering
- Promote classroom or school-wide remote volunteer opportunities such as:
  - Volunteering on-site as a group (in accordance with our Phase-In Plan)
  - Making cards or decorations
  - Creating activity bags for those in quarantine or isolation
  - Organizing welcome kits for shelter guests moving into permanent housing
- Create and contribute student artwork to create an on-site art gallery for residents to enjoy (distanced)

**Support Us Financially:**
- Join our efforts by proving a financial gift
- Coordinate and/or participate in a campus giving campaign to Bethesda Project
- Support Bethesda Project’s annual Party & Auction or virtual Home Run 5K
  - Event sponsorship
  - Assemble themed gift basket(s) to auction
- Host a fundraising virtual or distanced event (walk-a-thon, card tournament, “drive-in” movie, etc)

**Assist Our Operations**
- Organize donation drives for items such as:
  - Cleaning supplies, men’s clothes/accessories, and/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)

**Promote Awareness**
- Create lessons and/or projects about homelessness in your class
- Host a campus event on homelessness
- Invite a Bethesda Project staff member to speak in a virtual class or meeting
- Share upcoming Bethesda Project virtual events in digital communications
- Introduce Bethesda Project to the 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
- Advocate for affordable housing in your city and campus

**Other ideas? Let’s get creative!**
Contact Sarah Carter, Senior Development and Communications Manager, at scarter@bethesdaproject.org for more information!