



HomeFront
Helping families break the cycle of poverty

Summer Help for Summer Needs

Our summer program may not look like our traditional camp, but we remain committed to supporting local children and families who are homeless or at-risk. There are a variety of ways you can help while staying safe. Summer during this crisis brings an increased need not only for childcare and food, but also for safe recreation and necessary items for families moving into their new homes.

Please email getinvolved@homefrontnj.org for additional information or if you have any questions!

Help as an individual or family:	Help as a company or organization:
<p>Needed summer program items can be found through our Amazon wishlist: https://tinyurl.com/HFSee2020</p> <p>Support learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide educational activity kits to complement our virtual summer learning curriculum ● Contribute to our virtual learning program by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recording yourself reading a book ○ Creating worksheets ○ Creating flash cards ● Provide supplies or sponsor children for our Back to School Drive: www.tinyurl.com/HFBacktoSchool2020 ● Create snack bags children in our virtual and pop-up summer programs <p>Support fun</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide fun activity kits or art supplies to complement our recreation activities ● Fund these elements of our motel pop-up program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Program t-shirts ○ Activity kit supplies ○ Art supplies ○ Food ○ Personal protective gear and wipes ● Sponsor a child's birthday ● Provide rideshare gift cards so that families can enjoy a fun summer activity <p>Support families' needs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide essential needs for families moving into their new homes, like dishware, cookware, linens, and more ● Provide urgently needed food and essentials by hosting a drive or donating items - see page 2 for the list ● More items can be purchased through our general Amazon wishlist: http://bit.ly/HFMarch20Items 	<p>Needed summer program items can be found through our Amazon wishlist: https://tinyurl.com/HFSee2020</p> <p>Support learning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide educational activity kits to complement our virtual summer learning curriculum ● Sponsor the cost of virtual trips or special treats for children in our educational program ● Fund wifi hotspots for families that don't have access to wifi) ● Fund electronic devices for children to use Zoom ● Fund access to a Zoom account ● Provide supplies or sponsor children for our Back to School Drive: www.tinyurl.com/HFBacktoSchool2020 <p>Support fun</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sponsor a socially distant pop-up activity for children at our Family Campus or families living in motels ● Provide fun activity kits or art supplies to complement our recreation activities ● Fund these elements of our motel pop-up program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Program t-shirts ○ Activity kit supplies ○ Art supplies ○ Food ○ Personal protective gear and wipes ● Sponsor a child's birthday ● Provide rideshare gift cards so that families can enjoy a fun summer activity <p>Support families' needs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide essential needs for families moving into their new homes, like dishware, cookware, linens, and more ● Provide urgently needed food and essentials by hosting a drive or donating items - see page 2 for the list ● More items can be purchased through our general Amazon wishlist: http://bit.ly/HFMarch20Items

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See below for more info and ongoing needs.

1. Share this Document and Stay Up-to-Date with Us

Share this document with 3 people! Stay tuned for additional ways to help coming soon on our site and social media. Sign up for our e-newsletter: www.homefrontnj.org/newsletter-sign-up/

2. Donate or Be Part of a Virtual Fundraiser

- **To make a donation**, please visit www.homefrontnj.org/donate or call 609-989-9417 x 107.

HomeFront already has a significant amount of unanticipated and unbudgeted expenses related to preparations for COVID-19 – and we only expect those costs to rise as our families are directly affected.

As you consider your charitable giving during this time, please keep us in mind.

- **Double Helpings Initiative:** Help hungry families while helping struggling restaurants. Your donation will help feed local homeless families staying in area motels who are hit hardest during COVID-19.
 - <https://www.homefrontnj.org/donate-food-delivery/>
- **Facebook Fundraiser:** Start a fundraiser online that benefits HomeFront. Share your fundraiser with your friends, families, and colleagues!
- **Virtual Rent Party:** Host a rent party via video chat and help homeless families secure housing by collecting the funds they need to move into their new homes. Invite your friends, families, and colleagues!

3. Provide Urgent Items

- Diapers (size 4, 5, 6, and pull-ups)
- Baby wipes
- Canned goods (protein like chicken/tuna, ravioli, beef stew, soup, spaghetti sauce, and fruit)
- Baby formula
- Dry cereal
- Shelf stable milk (Horizon/Natrel/Parmalat or powdered milk)
- Pop-top canned goods and microwave-friendly food for individuals living in motels
- Feminine hygiene products
- Personal hygiene products
- Fans and small AC units

If you're interested in preparing complete food bags for our pantry, please email getinvolved@homefrontnj.org.

Unfortunately, right now we cannot accept donations of furniture, clothing, or housewares. We hope you understand. Our Donation Center is currently self-service with a large donation box. If you have a large volume to donate, please contact us at getinvolved@homefrontnj.org to coordinate a drop-off.

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All items can be dropped off or delivered to **1880 Princeton Avenue in Lawrenceville.**

4. Volunteer

Remotely:

- Collect food items and prepare food bags at home
- Put together first aid, personal hygiene, and welcome home kits
- Make cards for our families with inspirational quotes
- Join the Warm Welcome Design Team, remotely making items for families in our emergency housing (email catherinec@homefrontnj.org)
- Jumpstart your spring cleaning and put aside pots and pans, linens, towels, and kitchen items to donate when we fully reopen our Donation Center

Questions?

For details or additional instructions on any of these opportunities, email getinvolved@homefrontnj.org.

Whatever it is you do to help, show us! We want to see what you're up to and thank you!

- Take a picture or short clip of you volunteering at home
- Post it on social media and tag us (or email it to us at getinvolved@homefrontnj.org with your first name)
- Share it with others and get them involved too

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