

35 WAYS #WeAreSimpson

Help Simpson Celebrate our 35th Anniversary

Check out our list below on how to make a difference in your community and help those who are experiencing homelessness this year.

<p>NUMBER 1</p>  <p>Become a Simpson sustainer by scheduling a monthly gift.</p>	<p>NUMBER 2</p> <p>Make a Welcome Home Basket for a family or individual moving into their new home.</p>	<p>NUMBER 3</p> <p>Gather your family to make bag lunches for shelter guests.</p>	<p>NUMBER 4</p> <p>Explore your community and mentor an elementary or middle school student.</p>
<p>NUMBER 5</p> <p>Double your impact. Ask your employer if they would match your donation or volunteer time.</p>	<p>NUMBER 6</p> <p>Celebrate your loved ones by making a gift in their name.</p>	<p>NUMBER 7</p>  <p>Sign up to serve a meal at the shelter.</p>	<p>NUMBER 8</p>  <p>Read Homelessness in Minnesota, the 2015 report by <i>Wilder Research</i>. Share what you learned with others.</p>
<p>NUMBER 9</p> <p>Shopping on Amazon? Use Amazon Smile and select Simpson; Amazon will make a donation with every purchase you make.</p>	<p>NUMBER 10</p>  <p>Encourage the love of reading by joining us as a Reading Tutor.</p>	<p>NUMBER 11</p> <p>Make a list of 10 things you love about your home. Find a way to share one of those things with people experiencing homelessness.</p>	<p>NUMBER 12</p> <p>Hold a car wash in your neighborhood and donate the proceeds to Simpson.</p>
<p>NUMBER 13</p>  <p>Coordinate a diaper drive at your faith community or workplace.</p>	<p>NUMBER 14</p> <p>Join the 35th Anniversary Challenge and find 35 friends to donate \$35.</p>	<p>NUMBER 15</p> <p>Contact your legislators and encourage them to support affordable housing.</p>	<p>NUMBER 16</p>  <p>Forgo the birthday gifts this year and ask friends and family to give a gift to Simpson in your honor.</p>
<p>NUMBER 17</p> <p>Already a volunteer with Simpson? Write a reflection about homelessness for your local paper.</p>	<p>NUMBER 18</p> <p>Purchase an item from the Simpson Store as a gift.</p>	<p>NUMBER 19</p>  <p>Invite your friends, make the popcorn, and enjoy a video night at home. Donate what you would have spent on a movie out at a theater.</p>	<p>NUMBER 20</p> <p>Like Simpson Housing Services on Facebook and share posts with your friends.</p>
<p>NUMBER 21</p>  <p>Support a child's education by participating in the Tools for School program.</p>	<p>NUMBER 22</p> <p>Collect new t-shirts and underwear for shelter guests.</p>	<p>NUMBER 23</p> <p>Challenge your coworkers to bring lunch from home every day for a week. Donate what you would have spent on going out to lunch to Simpson.</p>	<p>NUMBER 24</p> <p>Encourage your friends to become mentors for young people at Simpson.</p>
<p>NUMBER 25</p> <p>Share hospitality and distribute supplies as a Shelter Support volunteer.</p>	<p>NUMBER 26</p> <p>Ask your favorite coffee shop for a donation of coffee for the shelter.</p>	<p>NUMBER 27</p>  <p>Participate in Give to the Max Day on November 16th and encourage friends to support Simpson too!</p>	<p>NUMBER 28</p> <p>Learn more about our programs for children and youth by attending an Intro Session.</p>
<p>NUMBER 29</p>  <p>Spare change piling up? Simpson will take those quarters off your hands.</p>	<p>NUMBER 30</p> <p>Schedule a shelter tour and learn about the many ways volunteers make a difference.</p>	<p>NUMBER 31</p> <p>Attend a Search for Home training and learn more about homelessness and affordable housing.</p>	<p>NUMBER 32</p>  <p>Think of Simpson while you're running errands. Check out our urgently needed supply list online and purchase items to donate.</p>
<p>NUMBER 33</p> <p>Do you travel? Simpson's Shelter needs your unopened hotel shampoo, soap, and lotion.</p>	<p>NUMBER 34</p>  <p>Participate in the 33rd Annual Homeless Memorial on December 21st.</p>	<p>NUMBER 35</p> <p>Share the ways #WeAreSimpson on social media.</p>	<p>Have other ideas or want to share your event with us, contact us at:</p> <p>Elisabeth Loeffler Director of Development and Comm. eloeffler@simpsonhousing.org 612.455.0865</p>