36 WAYS to Support Simpson

For 36 years, Simpson Housing Services has focused on its mission: to house, support, and advocate for people serving homelessness.

Check out our list below to discover 36 ways to serve in your community and help people who are experiencing homelessness this year.

**NUMBER 1**
Become a Simpson sustainer by scheduling a monthly gift.

**NUMBER 2**
Make a Welcome Home Basket for a family or individual moving into their new home.

**NUMBER 3**
Gather your family to make bag lunches for shelter guests.

**NUMBER 4**
Encourage your friends to become mentors for young people at Simpson.

**NUMBER 5**
Double your impact. Ask your employer if they would match your donation or volunteer time.

**NUMBER 6**
Celebrate your loved ones by making a gift in their name.

**NUMBER 7**
Sign up to serve a meal at the shelter.

**NUMBER 8**
Read Homelessness in Minnesota, the 2015 report by Wilder Research. Share what you learned with others.

**NUMBER 9**
Shopping on Amazon? Use Amazon Smile and select Simpson. Amazon will make a donation with every purchase you make.

**NUMBER 10**
Encourage the love of reading by joining us as a reading tutor.

**NUMBER 11**
Make a list of 10 things you love about your home. Find a way to share one of those things with people experiencing homelessness.

**NUMBER 12**
Hold a car wash in your neighborhood and donate the proceeds to Simpson.

**NUMBER 13**
Coordinate a diaper drive at your faith community or workplace.

**NUMBER 14**
Check out the video, “Race: The Power of Illusion - Episode Three: The House We Live In”, at your local library or www.facinghistory.org.

**NUMBER 15**
Contact your legislators and encourage them to support affordable housing.

**NUMBER 16**
Donate the proceeds from your birthday gifts this year and ask friends and family to give a gift to Simpson in your honor.

**NUMBER 17**
Already a volunteer with Simpson? Write a reflection about homelessness for your local paper.

**NUMBER 18**
Purchase an item from the Simpson Store as a gift.

**NUMBER 19**
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.

**NUMBER 20**
Complete our What is your Inner Simpson Volunteer? quiz on our website.

**NUMBER 21**
Support a child’s education by participating in the Tools for School program.

**NUMBER 22**
Collect new t-shirts and underwear for shelter guests.

**NUMBER 23**
Challenge your coworkers to bring lunch from home every day for a week. Donate what you would have spent on going out to a theater.

**NUMBER 24**
Lead a cereal drive and give our shelter guests a healthy meal to start the day.

**NUMBER 25**
Share hospitality and distribute supplies as a Shelter Support volunteer.

**NUMBER 26**
Ask your favorite coffee shop for a donation of coffee for the shelter.

**NUMBER 27**
Participate in Give to the Max Day and encourage friends to support Simpson too!

**NUMBER 28**
Learn more about our programs for children and youth by attending an Intro Session.

**NUMBER 29**
Spare change piling up? Simpson will take those quarters off your hands.

**NUMBER 30**
Schedule a shelter tour and learn about the many ways volunteers make a difference.

**NUMBER 31**
Attend a Search for Home training and learn more about homelessness and affordable housing.

**NUMBER 32**
Fill your cart. Share your heart. Check out our urgently needed supply list online and purchase items to donate.

**NUMBER 33**
Do you travel? Simpson’s Shelter needs your unopened hotel shampoo, soap, and lotion.

**NUMBER 34**
Participate in the annual Homeless Memorial March and Service on December 19th.

**NUMBER 35**
Collect and give hats, gloves, and thermals to our shelter guests.

**NUMBER 36**
Follow Simpson Housing Services on Facebook and share posts with your friends.

Have other ideas or want to share your event with us, contact us at:
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