

# BASIC NEEDS LIST

*Housing Hope welcomes donations of basic need items year-round. Items need to be in good condition, defined as clean, safe, decent, appropriate and cannot be stained, torn, broken, out-dated or otherwise unusable by either Housing Hope or our clients.*

## **BED & BATH**

Blankets  
Comforters  
Kleenex  
Pillows  
Sheets and pillowcases  
Toilet paper  
Towels (all kinds and sizes)

## **NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS**

Baking mixes (ex. Bisquick)  
Boxed meals (ex. Hamburger Helper)  
Canned fruits and vegetables  
Canned meats (tuna, chicken, etc)  
Condiments  
Jam/jelly  
Peanut butter  
Dried pasta (all kinds)  
Rice (all kinds)  
Sauces (all kinds)  
Canned soup, chili, stew, etc

## **PERSONAL CARE ITEMS**

(regular sizes only)  
Bar soap  
Bubble bath  
Dental floss  
Deodorant  
Disposable razors  
First aid kits  
Hair brushes and combs  
Liquid hand wash  
Lotion  
Shampoo

Thermometer  
Toothbrushes  
Toothpaste

## **KITCHEN ITEMS**

Baking dishes  
Can openers  
Colander  
Cookbooks  
Kitchen Items cont'd  
Cooking aprons  
Cutting boards  
Good Foods Fast by Martha Stewart  
Healthy Body by D'Amico/Drummond  
Hot pads  
Measuring cups  
Meat thermometer  
Mixing bowls  
New small appliances (toaster, blender, food processor, etc)  
Paper cups and plates  
Paper napkins and towels  
Pot holders  
Pots and pans  
Shopping list tablets  
Silverware  
Towels (all kinds and sizes)  
Utensils (spatula, mixing spoons, etc)

## **CHILDREN'S ITEMS**

Baby gate  
Baby monitor  
Balls (basketball, soccer, etc)  
Blocks (foam, rubber, etc)  
Puzzles board and card games (new)

Bottle warmer  
Bouncy seats  
Car seats (all ages)  
Children's music/CDs  
Computer games  
Craft supplies (glue, colored paper, crayons, etc)  
Cribs  
Diaper wipes  
Disposable diapers (size 3 needed most)  
Educational toys  
Imaginative toys  
Scientific kits  
Smocks

## **CONSTRUCTION**

Carpenter's Pencil  
Chisel  
Hammer  
Leveler  
Manual, non-electric, hand-held drill  
Measuring tape  
Nails  
Sand paper  
Screwdriver  
Speed square  
Tool belt  
Utility knife  
Wire cutter  
Wood

## **HOUSEHOLD**

Baking soda  
Bleach  
Broom  
Bucket  
Cleaning caddy  
Dish washing detergent  
Dust mop  
Dust pan  
Duster (feather or other)  
Erasing pad (Scotch-Brite Easy Erasing Pad or Mr. Clean Magic Eraser only)  
Garbage bags  
Glass cleaner (ex. Windex)  
Household cleaner (409, Simple Green, Scrubbing Bubbles, Arm & Hammer Washing Soda only)  
Latex gloves (powder-free)  
Laundry basket  
Laundry detergent  
Mops  
Rubber gloves  
Scrubbing brushes (all sizes)  
Sponges  
Spray bottle  
Squeegee  
Toilet brushes  
Vacuum (new only)  
Vinegar

## **OFFICE**

Six-pocket organizer files  
Binders (one-inch, three-ring, etc)

Bulletin boards  
Calculators  
Calendars  
Classification folders  
Hanging file folders (all kinds)  
Highlighters (no yellow or pink)  
Ink cartridges  
Labels (all kinds)  
Page dividers  
Pencils  
Pens  
Plain #10 envelopes  
Pocket charts  
Printer (color or black & white)  
Rubber stamps (draft, copy, etc)  
Sheet protectors

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Batteries  
Board books  
Boombox  
Calming music/sound CDs  
Emergency relief kits  
Flash lights  
Gift cards (retail, grocery, gas, etc)  
New area rugs  
Seat cushions for van  
Television

## **WE DO NOT ACCEPT**

King beds/mattresses  
Used games and puzzles  
Televisions  
Vehicles  
Adult Clothing