

LOAVES & FISHES NEEDS LIST

How Can I Help Meet the Needs of Homeless or Others in Need in Shawnee?

The following items are ongoing needs we try to meet weekly when lunch is served on Thursdays by our volunteers. You may send these items any time with Trevor Robertson (405-613-2202), Bill Morgan (405-795-8073), Marsha Cook, or any other active volunteer you know. Or, please mark clearly "Loaves & Fishes, Lauren Jones" (lauren@ibcshawnee.org) and leave in the IBC church office before Thursdays any week. Thank you!

Men's socks, *warmer ones in winter*

Women's socks, *warmer ones in winter*

Women's fuzzy slipper type socks

Please untag & roll all socks in pairs. Designate on your bag if they are for men or women.

Children's socks

After rolling them in pairs, please put in zipper bags marked with correct sizes.

Gently worn tennis or casual shoes for men & women, including larger sizes.

Please do not buy new, expensive-label shoes.

Gently worn children's shoes. *Please do not buy new, expensive-label shoes.*

WINTER: Warm gloves, scarves, caps, gently worn coats, sweaters, hoodies, boots

SPRING & FALL: lightweight jackets, hoodies (*including water repellent*), sweaters, modest shorts and tops/T-shirts, new flip flops

ANYTIME: jeans, purses (*please empty all compartments*), belts, gently used backpacks and duffle bags and shoulder bags

Please do not buy new, expensive label items. Please do not send used underwear, except women's laundered bras.

Unopened, new packages of underwear for men and women are fine, all sizes.

Blankets and quilts, *new or clean, optimum warmth in freezing weather*

[Most of the following items are affordably available at our local Dollar Tree stores. This is NOT an advertisement for them...just the voice of experience making a suggestion. You just shop where you like!]

Cornstarch baby powders, *large & travel size*

Gold Bond medicated foot powder, *travel size...and...ointments for athlete's foot*

Travel size bath or shower gels

Bars of soap

Boxes of zipper sandwich bags

We use these to bag items but also give them out to have a way to contain wet bars of soap in backpacks, so we use lots of them.

Brown or white lunch bags (*to bag up supplies to hand out*)

Adult and kids' toothbrushes

Toothpaste, travel & family sizes...*The stand-up brands like Colgate travel well in backpacks.*

Toothbrush covers

Dental adhesive

Rain ponchos, *especially in rainy weather*

Weatherproof tarps

Ace bandages

Hydrocortisone ointment

Triple Antibiotic ointment

Latex free "band aids"...*however the really cheap ones do not adhere well, so the ones that cost a little more do more good. We only give those as needed, and need various sizes, for small to large wounds. Bigger boxes are fine because we don't generally give a whole box to anyone.*

Muscle Rub ointment

