

Seton's 1st Annual Mission Project on
March 9th
“Homeless Care Package”
Or
“Homeless Snack Bag”



What is this event all about?

Have you ever interacted with a homeless person? Have you ever provided them with kind and understanding words or with food and supplies? Seton students have an amazing opportunity to find Christ in the homeless in D.C. The project is designed to feed and care for the homeless by providing them with care packages and snack bags. The number of people who are in need of food assistance has grown exponentially. By assembling care packages and snack bags our students will be living the Gospel by serving, comforting and touching Christ as they minister to the forgotten, especially during this Lenten season.

In the Diary of St. Maria Faustina, Jesus tells her of the need for merciful acts. *“I demand from you deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to your neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to excuse or absolve yourself from it (Diary, 742).*

I am giving you three ways of exercising mercy toward your neighbor the first by deed, the second by word, the third by prayer. In these three degrees is contained the fullness of mercy, and it is an unquestionable proof of love for Me. By this means a soul glorifies and pays reverence to My mercy (Diary, 742).

What will the students be responsible for?

Students and families will be responsible for making *Homeless Care Packages* or *Homeless Snack Bags*. Please assemble one or more bags and drop them off in Corpus Christi or by the main office in the box marked “Homeless Care and Snack Bags,” by **March 8th, 2019.**

What is included in a Homeless Care Packages?

To assemble a homeless care package, fill a clear 1 gallon Ziplock bag with the following: 1 bar of soap; 1 stick of deodorant; 1 toothbrush; 1 shampoo; 1 lotion; 1 facial tissue (travel size); Toothpaste; 1 Chap stick; 1 razor; 1 toilet paper; 1 travel size shaving cream/gel; feminine hygiene (for women); socks

What is included in a Homeless Snack Bag?

To assemble a homeless snack bag, please fill a clear 1 gallon Ziplock with the following: Fruit/applesauce/pudding cups (with or without a plastic spoon) Chewy granola bars; Assorted crackers or cookies; Fruit snacks; Beef Jerky (a favorite); Small bags of nuts or trail mix; hard candy like peppermints or butterscotch; Bottled water.

To whom will the care packages and snack bags be provided?

The packages and snack bags will be handed out to the homeless men and women in D.C. by the older students at Seton. Winter temperatures can be life-

threatening to the homeless. Men and women are in need of personal hygiene items that most of us take for granted, including toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant, etc. They depend on our support to feed and care for them in many areas in DC. Together we can do great things and put the Gospel into action.

Who can attend the mission?

Mrs. Duran and Simon Kanazeh will be taking ANY interested 10-12th graders to D.C. via the metro. We need an adult volunteer for every 10 students. Once in D.C. we will be accompanied by Father Andrew Gronotte, LC. The mission will take place between 5:00-7:00pm. We will meet the homeless men and women where they live near Columbia Heights metro. We plan on leaving Seton's parking lot promptly at 3:30pm to take the Vienna metro into DC. If calculated correctly the metro pass will be approximately \$8.00 round trip. Purchase your ticket ahead of time using the following website:

<https://www.wmata.com/fares/selectpass/index.cfm#price>

We will return to Seton by 8:45 for brief night prayers in the chapel and any testimonies.