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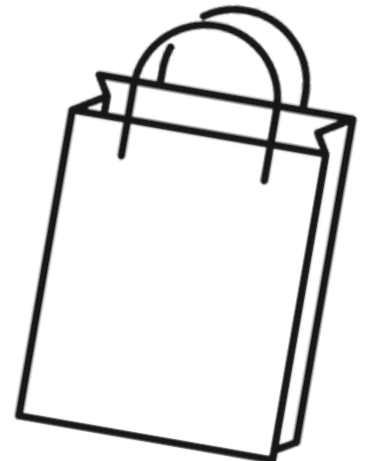
Summer is when we see the largest number of youth walking through our Anoka Center doors for support. Help HOPE 4 Youth ensure all youth have enough to eat this summer by hosting a donation drive in our honor.

GOAL: Our goal is to collect 100 bags of essential items each week to meet our growing number of youth needing support.

WHEN: May 31st through the end of August

HOW:

- Host a Donation Drive
- Set a Goal and Spread the Word!
- Collect Essential Items



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Support our growing need by helping to meet our goal of collecting 100 bags of food a week.

WHY HOPE 4 YOUTH?

- For every essential item you donate, you will provide critical support to youth experiencing homelessness.
- In 2024, youth made over **3,471 visits** to our Pantry.
- In 2024, we supported a record number of **5,158 youth visits** to our HOPE 4 Youth Center in Anoka.
- **30% of youth** visiting our H4Y Center are parenting their own children. Your donations support individual youth and families.

WHY IS OUR GOAL 100 BAGS A WEEK?

- Every youth that uses our pantry for essential items is able to personally choose their items to fill three bags of support.
- So far in 2025, from January-March, we have had **1,075 visits** to our pantry.
- Scan the QR Code to read our 2024 Annual Impact Report to learn more about the impact we made last year.



HOW DO I SUPPORT THE CHALLENGE?

HOST A DONATION DRIVE

- If you are interested in hosting a donation drive please fill out the form on the main campaign page or this [LINK HERE](#).
- Community donation drives or virtual donation drives are great resources for collecting donations.
 - Community Donation Drive: use the included flyers (or make your own) to share our top needed items in your chosen drive.
 - Virtual Donation Drive: You can share our virtual Wish Lists! Think of it as a registry, we list our top needed items, you pick what you would like to purchase, and the items are sent right to our door. Click [HERE](#) to view our Amazon, Walmart, and Target Wish Lists.

TURN IN DONATION DRIVE

- Our Donation Center is open every Wednesday and the Second Saturday of the month from 9 am - 12 pm, or by appointment during the week.
- You can schedule an appointment with Mari Dahlke, by emailing mdahlke@hope4youthmn.org or call 763.323.2066 ext. 118.

SPREAD THE WORD!

- Repost our posts on social media and share why you connect with our mission!
- Feel free to make your own posts about the challenge or use the premade posts we have linked on the main campaign page.

QUESTIONS or READY TO SIGN UP?

Contact: Mari Dahlke, Community Engagement Coordinator at mdahlke@hope4youthmn.org or 763.323.2066 ext. 118

The following pages are resources for donation lists and marketing materials to support your drive.

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ESSENTIAL DONATION DRIVE

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FOOD NEEDS:

- Microwave Noodle Bowls
- Cereal
- Chicken or Tomato Soups
- Chef Boyardee or SpaghettiOs
- Packet Tuna and Chicken
- Protein Bars & Granola Bars
- Cup Fruit or Apple Sauce
- Poptarts
- Fruit Snacks
- Snack Crackers

HYGIENE NEEDS:

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body Wash
- Lotion
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Floss
- Hair Brushes
- Pads & Tampons
- Baby Wipes

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WISH LIST ITEMS:

- Microwave Noodle Meals
- Cereal Cups or Boxes
- Chicken Noodle Soup
- Tomato Soup
- Chef Boyardee
- SpaghettiOs
- Pasta Sauce
- Boxed Noodles
- Hamburger Helper
- Knorr Pasta or Rice Sides
- Packet or Can Tuna
- Packet or Can Chicken
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Granola Bars
- Canned or Cup Fruit
- Apple Sauce
- Poptarts
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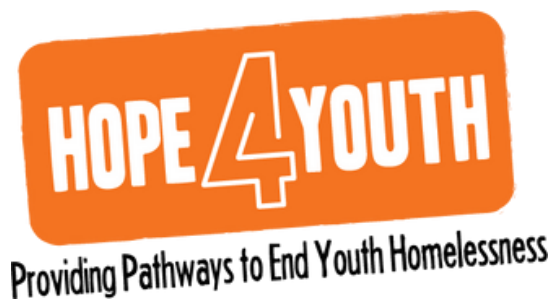
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- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body Wash
- Lotion
- Razors
- Shave Gel
- Deodorant
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Floss
- Hair Brushes
- Hair Ties
- Body Wipes
- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray
- Qtips
- Cotton Balls
- Tampons & Pads
- Diapers & Pull Ups
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HOPE 4 YOUTH DONATIONS

Thank you for supporting our
Summer Challenge donation drive!

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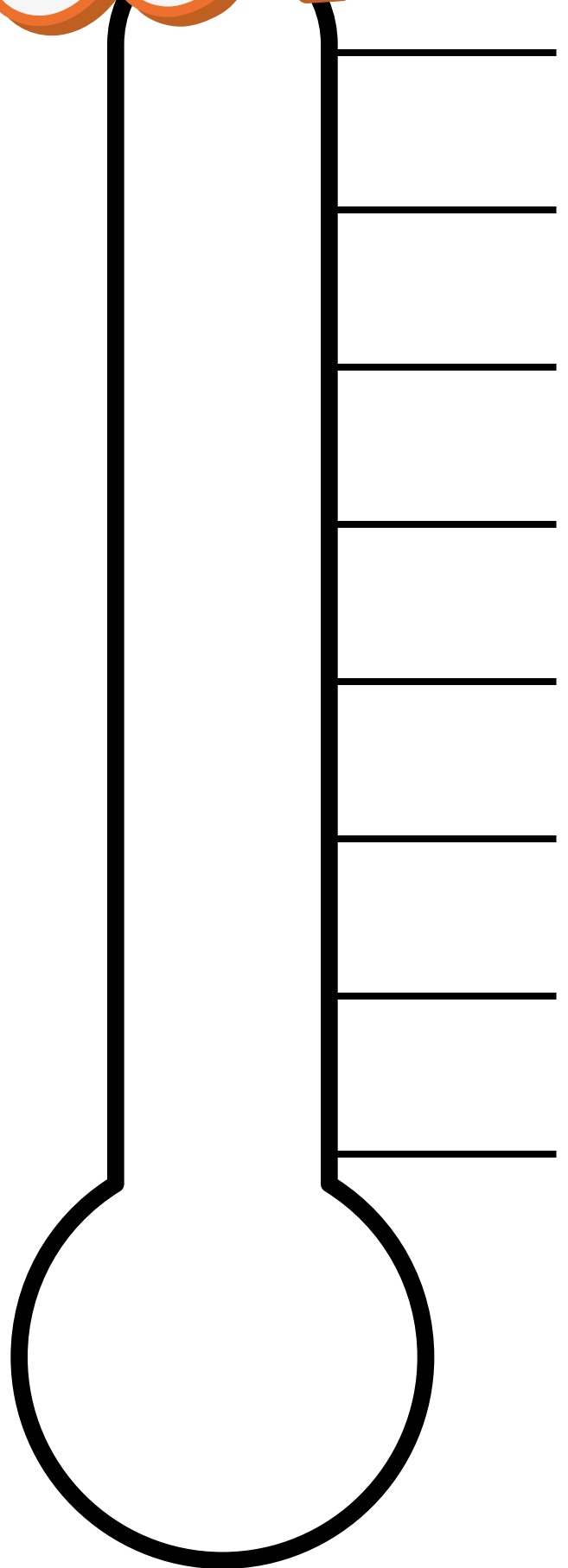
GOAL!



Providing Pathways to End Youth Homelessness

**HELP ME REACH
MY GOAL OF
_____ BAGS!**

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SPEAKING POINTS & POST CAPTIONS

Social media is a quick and easy way to spread information about your donation drive to the community. Need help thinking about what to say? Below are examples of posts you could use to help share information about our mission and about your donation drive challenge!

Looking for a way to support a local non-profit in your community? HOPE 4 Youth is having a Summer Challenge. Help support their growing need by help them collect 100 bags of essential items each week. Click the link to donate or see what food items they need: [CLICK HERE](#)

Did you know the summertime is when HOPE 4 Youth sees the most youth but the least amount of donations? They need your support! Join me in supporting them through their Summer Challenge. You can support the challenge by donating top needed items to their Center in Anoka this summer. Learn more [HERE](#)

I have been a supporter of HOPE for Youth for **BLANK** years, they are truly making a difference in the lives of young people. In 2024, they had 5,158 youth visits their HOPE 4 Youth Center, learn more about HOPE 4 Youth by watching this short video: [VIDEO](#) I encourage you to support their Summer Challenge by donating top needed essential items.

Youth homelessness is unacceptable. HOPE 4 Youth's mission is to provide pathways to end youth homelessness. I challenge you to participate in their Summer Challenge by donating top needed essential items, hosting a donation drive, or sharing this post! Together we can end youth homelessness. Click [HERE](#) to learn more!

What to support HOPE 4 Youth, but can't reach their Donation Center in Anoka? They have virtual wish lists where your purchased support is delivered directly to their Center! You can support through [Amazon](#), [Walmart](#), or [Target](#)

EXTRA SOCIAL MEDIA IMAGES



Follow and TAG us on Social Media:



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**SCAN TO
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OR

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**Thank you for supporting our
mission to end youth homelessness!**