



## Youth Need Your Help!

Would you like to help homeless youth who are getting a fresh start in their new homes? Would you like to give youth at-risk of school drop out living in poverty the chance to receive a gift this holiday season? If so, The Link can help you to help them!

The Link is holding a Fresh Start Drive for homeless youth that have moved into their new apartment at The Link's Lindquist Apartments. This is a year-round drive.

The Link is also holding a Gift Link Drive for the holiday season. Many of the youth we serve are living in poverty, and their parents are unable to afford the extra gifts such as "stocking stuffers" or a special gift. The Link offers a package to each of our clients during the holiday season. Donations are accepted now through December 14<sup>th</sup>.

If you would like to either donate an item or even organize a drive with your colleagues, friends or family, please contact us!

### Contact for donating items or organizing a drive:

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You can also drop off items at our Office: The Link - 1210 Glenwood Avenue - Minneapolis, MN 55405

## What Do Youth Need?

### Fresh Start Drive

Bathroom kits: Bath towels, hand towels, washcloths, and bath mat set—all in a bathroom garbage can!

Bedroom kits: A twin sheet set, pillow, blanket, alarm clock—all in a laundry basket!

Kitchen kits: a pot/pan set, kitchen utensils (pizza cutter, measuring cup, baking sheet, wooden spoons, etc), oven mitts, foil, Tupperware, kitchen towels and rug—all in a kitchen garbage can!

Personal Care Kits: deodorant, toothpaste, shampoo/conditioner, toothbrush, floss, nail clippers, lotion, face wash, soap, hair care products (culturally specific), toilet paper, and socks - all in a bathroom organizer!

### Gift Link Drive

#### YOU CAN PURCHASE GIFT CERTIFICATES TO:

Best Buy for \$10-15—McDonalds for \$10—Payless for \$15-20  
Foot Locker for \$15-20—Marshall's for \$15-20—Target for \$15-20

#### OR YOU CAN ALSO DONATE NEW:

Cell Phone Pay Cards - DVD's for Youth ages 12 and Up  
Nail Polish and files - Batteries, especially AA  
Tissues and Hand Lotion - Packs of Playing Cards  
Sporting Goods - Video Games - Crafts  
Remote Control Cars - Holiday Stockings - Cosmetic Cases  
Bookmarker - Pens, Markers, Painting supplies  
Gel Pens - Tooth Brushes, Tooth Paste  
Hats and Gloves - Puzzles - Athletic Socks