

Make-a-Home Information Kit

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General Q & A

What are the requirements for participating in the Make-a-Home program?

We'd like our Make-a-Home volunteers to provide at least one of the basic necessities to help a family start fresh in their new home, including providing the family with:

- a couch
- a kitchen table with chairs
- a bed (or crib) for every member of the family

Do you accept individual furniture item donations?

Yes, at this time we are making individual furniture deliveries to families as well as coordinating groups to sponsor a Make-a-Home family. For a furniture delivery, at least one of the donated items must be a bed, couch, or dining table. These are essential items that most families don't have with them when they first move into housing. Other smaller items like nightstands or ottomans can accompany one of the three essential items.

What precautions are you taking against COVID-19?

Due to COVID-19, we've limited our Make-A-Home program to no-contact curbside delivery. This provides essential furniture items to our recently-housed families while limiting family and volunteer contact and possible exposure. Volunteers and families must wear a mask and socially distance whenever possible.

What else can our group donate in addition to the basic requirements?

Most families moving into their new home only have a few bags of belongs. Please refer to our wish list of items (below) for basic necessities that a family may need.

Do the volunteers meet the family that's receiving the furniture?

We are currently offering a modified, no-contact Make-A-Home. Volunteers will drop off furniture and other items at curbside for the family and say hello from a safe distance, but volunteers cannot enter the home and help set up the furniture at this time.

Do the donated items have to be new?

We ask that furniture and household donations are either new, or gently-used (minor wear and tear) with no holes or stains. We also ask that the donated

furniture is stored in a safe location prior to delivery and is thoroughly checked for any type of bugs.

What if our group gets too many donations?

If your group gathers duplicates or has more donations then planned, we would be happy to identify a second family for your group to sponsor!

I'm ready to start! How long does it take to identify a family in need of furniture?

Mary's Place families move into permanent housing every week. Our timing is flexible and your group can choose a preferred day for delivery (including weekdays, evening, and weekends). Once you choose the delivery day, we will identify a family that's moving into housing. Typically, this happens 2-3 weeks prior to delivery.

Once we identify a family, we'll provide you with information about location, and any special needs the family may have. Please note, we choose a family as close as possible to the delivery day to decrease the amount of time a family has to wait for furniture.

Can my group choose the location of the family we would like to help?

Mary's Place families move into permanent housing in King, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties. We're happy to accommodate your group by identifying a family in your preferred delivery area. Please note that it may take additional time to accommodate a specific delivery area or family size.

Can our group share our Make-a-Home project with local media?

Please contact Mary's Place Communications Officer, Linda Mitchell, at 206-334-4687 or linda@marysplaceseattle.org regarding media inquiries. Tag us in your social media posts (marysplacewa)!

WISH LIST OF ITEMS

Essentials

- Couch
- Dining room table & chairs
- Mattresses (twin, full, queen)

Optional

FURNITURE

- Armoire
- Bed frames
- Bookshelf
- Coffee table
- Desk
- Dressers
- End tables
- Night stands
- TV stands
- Lamps

KITCHEN

- Pantry items (unexpired food items like cereal, peanut butter, canned fruit, etc.)
- Cutting boards
- Coffee maker
- Cups & mugs
- Silverware
- Utensils
- Bakeware
- Tupperware
- Paper towels, sandwich bags, foil, etc.

BED & BATH

- Bedding & blankets
- Clothing hangers, storage hangers for clothing
- Shampoo/conditioner, soap, lotion, shaving essentials, etc.
- Q-tips, cotton balls, etc.
- Bathroom rugs & mats
- Shower curtains & liners
- Towels
- Cleaning supplies (Clorox wipes, toilet cleaner, etc.)
- Laundry detergent, fabric softener, etc.

ACTIVITY	Name	Phone Number	Email
Moving day help:	1)	1)	1)
	2)	2)	2)
Delivery Day is	3)	3)	3)
	4) 5)	4) 5)	4) 5)
	3)	3)	3)
People who own a truck and can help pick	1)	1)	1)
up large items:	2)	2)	2)
	3)	3)	3)
People who can store items at their homes	1)	1)	1)
until delivery day:	2)	2)	2)
People who can work their local Buy	1)	1)	1)
Nothing group to get the things we need:	2) 3)	2) 3)	2) 3)
	3)	3)	(3)
People who can work Craigslist, Offerup,	1)	1)	1)
LetGo, etc. to get things that we need:	2)	2)	2)
		4)	
People who can organize donations and	1) 2)	1)	1) 2)
keep track of items needed:	2)	2)	2)
OTHER:			

FURNITURE

DONATION ITEM	NAME	PHONE #	
Couch	1)	1)	
	2)	2)	
Dining room table & chairs	1)	1)	
Mattresses (twin, full, queen)	1)	1)	
	2)	2)	
	3)	3)	
Armoire	1)	1)	
Bed frames	1)	1)	
	2)	2)	
Bookshelf	1)	1)	
Coffee table	1)	1)	
Desk	1)	1)	
Dresser	1)	1)	
	2)	2)	
End tables	1)	1)	
Night stands	1)	1)	
TV stand	1)	1)	
Lamps (table & floor)	1)	1)	
	2)	2)	

Pantry items (unexpired food items like	1)	1)
cereal, peanut butter, canned fruit, etc.)	2)	2)
	3)	3)
Cutting boards	1)	1)
Coffee maker	1)	1)
Cups & mugs	1)	1)
	2)	2)
Silverware	1)	1)
Utensils	1)	1)
Knives	1)`	1)
Bakeware (baking sheets & pans)	1)	1)

	2)	2)
Tupperware	1)	1)
Paper towels, sandwich bags, foil, etc.	1)	1)
	2)	2)
Broom/duster	1)	1)

BED & BATH	NAME	PHONE #
Bedding	1)	1)
	2)	2)
Blankets	1)	1)
	2)	2)
Clothing hangers, storage hangers for	1)	1)
clothing	2)	2)
Shampoo/conditioner, soap, lotion, shaving	1)	1)
essentials, etc.	2)	2)
Q-tips, cotton balls, etc.	1)	1)
Bathroom rugs & mats	1)	1)
	2)	2)
Shower curtains & liners	1)	1)
Towels (face & body)	1)	1)
Cleaning supplies (Clorox wipes, toilet	1)	1)
cleaner, etc.)	2)	2)
Laundry detergent, fabric softener, etc.	1)	1)
	2)	2)