

# TRUMBULL COUNTY STRONG



## *Blessing Bag Project*

### Cortland City Hall

**Collection Dates: 11/12 – 12/31**

#### **What is a Blessing Bag and who receives these items?**

A blessing bag is composed of necessities one would need if he or she were homeless. The items will be sorted into book bags and distributed by the non-profit group **Trumbull County Strong**. We distribute donated items to our area homeless population throughout the year.

**Trumbull County Strong** (a local non-profit group) is holding a service project to aid the homeless population in our area. Cold weather is fast approaching. The need is great and we can make a difference by providing a few basic necessities and comfort items. A donation bin is located in the lobby of the Cortland Administration Building. Items can be left there through December 31<sup>st</sup>. **Trumbull County Strong** members will gather the items, assemble the bags and distribute them to those in need.

**Blessing Bag Supplies:** New or gently used backpacks, gallon size zip lock bags, notes of encouragement (poem, passage, quotes or letters)

**Personal Items :** Toiletries such as; travel or hotel size shampoo, conditioner, lotion, toothbrush kit, dental floss, soap, deodorant, feminine products, hand sanitizer, wet wipes, tissues, lip balm, razors, travel first aid kits, band-aids, combs & hair rubber bands

**Food, treats & drinks:** Cookies or cracker snack bags, chips, tuna kits, beef jerky or dehydrated meat sticks, breakfast or granola bars, oatmeal packets, trail mix, dried fruit, fruit cups, assorted chocolate, chewing gum, fruit snacks, individually wrapped hard candy, breath mints, suckers, bottled water, energy drinks, juice boxes, instant coffee, hot chocolate packets & plastic spoons/forks

**Items for warmth (new or gently used) child to adult size:** Warm socks, gloves, hats, blankets, hand warmers

**Tools for connecting with loved ones:** Stationary, envelopes, pens, note pads & stamps

Any items collected will be greatly appreciated. For additional details, please refer to the City web site or contact City Hall at 330-637-3916.

*If you need a tax deduction form, please contact Elizabeth Beckley at 330-717-9241.*

# Suggested Items for Blessing Bags

## **Bags & Supplies:**

Backpacks, gently used is fine  
Gallon size Zip-Loc Bags  
Notes of Encouragement

## **Stationary Supplies:**

Pens  
Note Pads  
Stamps

## **Items of Warmth:**

Blankets  
Warm socks  
Gloves  
Scarves  
Hats

## **Treats:**

Assorted chocolate  
Chewing gum  
Fruit snacks  
Mini snack packs  
Individually wrapped hard candy  
Breath mints  
Suckers

## **Personal Materials:**

Hand Warmers  
Lip Balm  
Sanitizing wipes  
Hand sanitizer  
Water bottles  
Feminine products  
Hair ties  
Combs & Brushes

Dental floss  
Toothbrushes and tooth paste  
Deodorant  
Travel first aid kits  
Shampoo (travel & hotel size)  
Conditioner (travel & hotel size)  
Lotion  
Tissues

## **Food & Drink:**

Cookies or crackers (snack bags)  
Slim Jims  
Beef Jerky  
Dried Fruit  
Trail Mix  
Oatmeal packs  
Granola bars  
Breakfast bars  
Crackers in pkgs.

Chips (snack bags)  
Energy drinks  
Tuna kits  
Fruit Cups  
Plastic spoons and forks  
Instant Coffie  
Hot Chocolate packets  
Juice boxes