



THE HAVEN

Community Solutions

Community Solutions for Poverty & Homelessness

The Haven Community Solutions Presents:

The Holiday Newsletter



Holidays for the Homeless

It's that time of year again for the holidays! Christmas is just around the corner. It is a wonderful time for most. However, the holidays can be daunting for others. Especially this year. COVID-19 has had a huge impact on our community. Many families & individuals are struggling this year.

The Haven is committed to helping as many families and individuals this holiday season as we can. For the month of December, we will be focusing on providing Christmas gifts for those in need, as well as a hot Christmas meal & supplies to the homeless on the street.

If you are interested in helping us help others this holiday season, please see our needs list below. Also, financial donations are always welcome and appreciated!

Holiday Needs List



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Christmas Meal Give Out (Approx 150-200)

8 Hams

8 Large Cans of Corn

Packs of Rolls

Dessert

Carry Out Boxes

Sodas

Water

Adopt A Family – The Haven has a few families left that have not been adopted. See flyer below for details.



Adopt a Family



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Adopt a family is where an individual or group elects to provide a family with Christmas. The Haven has each family fill out a wish list with names, gender, ages, sizes and wishes. This wish list is provided to the individual or group that wishes to adopt them. The individual or group **does not** have to provide everything on the wish list and may provide items not on the wish list. Individuals and groups may also adopt more than one family and may choose the size family they would prefer.

We would like for all presents to be in by Friday, December 18th to ensure everyone will be provided for in time for Christmas.

Presents do not have to be wrapped, but can be if the individual/group chooses to.

If interested, please email Kelly Schlossin at

Schlossink@havenupstate.org

Thanksgiving for the Homeless

Thank you to all the individuals and groups in the community who donated to make Thanksgiving for the Homeless a success!

Your contributions provided a Thanksgiving meal to our most vulnerable citizens. We fed almost 200 individuals in need! The meal consisted of turkey, ham, green beans, potato salad, dressing, macaroni & cheese, homemade chocolate chip cookies, and a roll. Also served along with the meal were soda & water!



GAP Celebration

On Saturday, November 21st we celebrated our GAP participants at Freedom Baptist Church.

GAP is our aftercare Outreach program. GAP has 2 meanings - God Answers Prayers & Graduate Aftercare Program. GAP participants are graduates of our PUSH Outreach program - Pray Until Something Happens & Persist Until Something Happens.

The PUSH program is the initial program for those living on the streets to join and work with our case managers to achieve goals, and ultimately obtain permanent housing. Once PUSH participants obtain permanent housing, they can graduate to our GAP program for assistance in staying stable. GAP participants also become mentors to PUSH participants and volunteer with The Haven.





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