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outreach

unbirthday boxes



Use these boxes to reach out to the homeless in your city.

First we have each youth bring in a shoe box stuffed with new socks, bottled water, candy, lip balm, gum, a baseball cap, and sunscreen—anything that might be beneficial to someone who is homeless and on the streets during the hot summer months. I have them wrap the top and the bottom of the box with wrapping paper.

On the inside of each box's lid we tape our church's address and the address of the outreach center our church sponsors. And during the summer months we go downtown and hand out unbirthday boxes to the men and women on the streets. After we gather back at the church we discuss how it felt, and we pray for those who received the boxes that day.

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