HOME FOR GOOD
NOVEMBER & DECEMBER
ESSENTIALS DRIVE:
HOME AND PERSONAL CARE

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UNITED WAY
1000 Lakes

OVERVIEW

A stable home starts with the basics–but everyday essentials like soap, toothpaste, and cleaning supplies can be out of reach for families facing financial hardship. For many **ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed)** households–those working hard yet struggling to afford the cost of living– these items can be difficult to prioritize when rent, food, and utilities come first.

Each holiday season, United Way of 1000 Lakes joins forces with local nonprofits, businesses, schools, and housing advocates to collect and distribute household and personal care items across Itasca County. The program helps families ease financial strain, promote good health and hygiene, and create a fresh start.

WAYS TO HELP

Host a Drop Box. Collect supplies at your workplace, business, or place of worship–then gather your team to pack Home Essentials or Personal Care packs.

Donate Supplies. Drop off new, unused items at participating Drop Box locations or at the United Way office. You can also order from our **Target** or **Amazon** wish lists and ship directly to us.

Sponsor an Essentials Pack. Your gift–of any amount–helps us purchase high-demand items in bulk. Donate at **uwlakes.org** and select **Home for Good** from the drop-down menu.

Host a Volunteer Experience: We'll help you create volunteer opportunities for employees, church groups, teams, or classrooms. Add a hands-on component to your next event–**contact us for details.**

Raise Funds: Organize a fundraiser at your workplace, place of worship, civic group, or book club. For more information, call 218-999-7570 or email molly@uwlakes.org

To participate, visit **uwlakes.org/home-for-good** or scan the QR code to find a drop box location, donate supplies, sign up to volunteer, and more!

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PACK CONTENTS & CHECKLIST

Help local families by assembling a **Personal Care Pack** or **Home Essentials Pack**. Simply shop for the items listed, gather them into a complete pack, and drop them off at United Way or any **Home for Good** Drop Box location. Every donated item helps families feel safe, supported, and at home.

Personal Care Pack

Place all items in a **1-gallon Ziploc bag**

Body Wash or Bar Soap
Brush or Comb
Deodorant
Shampoo and Conditioner
Toothbrush and Toothpaste

Customize your pack by selecting 2-3 items:

Feminine Products (tampons or pads)
Floss
Lip balm
Lotion
Razors and Shaving Cream

Home Essentials Pack

Place all items in **Plastic Tote** or **Laundry Basket**

Disinfectant Spray or Wipes
Hand and Dish Soap
Laundry Detergent or Pods
Paper Towels
Toilet Paper (roll or packs)

Customize your pack by selecting 2-3 items:

Cleaners (all purpose)
Garbage Bags
Kitchen Hand and Dishcloths (singles or set)
Scrub Brushes or Sponges
Tissue (box or packs)
Towels - Body, Hand, Washcloth (singles or set)

*Only new, unopened items will be accepted.