

DESC welcomes your donations!

DESC welcomes donations of new and used items that are appropriate for the men and women we serve. DESC services include street outreach, mental health care, treatment for drug and alcohol addiction, emergency shelter, and permanent supportive housing. At every step in this process from homelessness to housing, donated goods are a critical resource. ***Your donations truly make all the difference!***

WHAT TO DONATE:

ADULT CLOTHING

- jeans, other durable pants
- t-shirts
- casual long-sleeved shirts
- sweatshirts and heavy sweaters
- rain-proof coats and ponchos
- men's and women's underwear (must be new)
- bras (esp. sports bras)
- socks
- belts
- knit caps, gloves, scarves
- sturdy athletic shoes or hiking boots

HYGIENE ITEMS

- toothbrushes, toothpaste
- disposable razors, shaving cream
- deodorant
- soap, shampoo
- towels/washcloths
- skin lotion
- feminine hygiene supplies
- chapsticks
- new combs, picks or brushes

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- dishware, flatware
- glasses and mugs
- pots, pans and cooking utensils
- dishtowels
- Dish soap, other cleaning supplies
- small kitchen appliances
- clocks, radios and other electronics (in working condition)
- books, games and art supplies
- linens, blankets, pillows
- shoulder bags, soft luggage

COFFEE COUNTER SUPPLIES

DESC provides emergency shelter for up to 278 men and women every night of the year. For many, a cup of coffee may be the only warm thing they get all day. Please donate today:

- coffee (ground or whole bean), tea bags
- individually wrapped sugars
- creamer

WHERE TO DONATE:

Small donations: 1-2 large bags or boxes may be dropped off during business hours at:

515 3rd Ave (across from the KC Courthouse between James and Yesler) 206 464-1570

or

Something Old, Something New (DESC's thrift store), 200 3rd Ave S (1 block south of Yesler on the corner of S. Washington St.) 206-748-9080

For larger donations: please contact the Donations Coordinator at 206-515-1517 or donations@desc.org to schedule a convenient time.

When making donations to DESC, please keep the following points in mind:

Make sure your items are seasonally appropriate, as we lack long-term storage capabilities. Also, remember that heavily soiled or damaged items are not appropriate to donate and do not add to the recipient's sense of self-worth. **WE CANNOT ACCEPT CHILDREN'S CLOTHING.**