

Let's Make a House a Home!

Facing Forward to End Homelessness is a PCWS mission partner that provides permanent supportive housing and clinical case management services to families and individuals in Chicago who have experienced chronic homelessness.

One of the special things they do when an individual or family makes the transition from homelessness to a supported apartment home is provide **a laundry basket of essentials to help ease that transition**. Filled with essentials like hand soap, toilet paper, laundry detergent, dish soap, sponges, cleaning supplies, trash bags, bath towels, kitchen basics, personal care items and maybe a little something extra, this simple gift helps put them just one more step ahead. **Facing Forward**.

This summer, we at PCWS will be collecting items to assemble as many welcome home baskets as we can. Our goal is to have a significant impact with this project, and we need your help! All you have to do is grab a tag (or, hopefully, several tags!) and purchase the items listed on the tags and bring them back to PCWS any time between now and August 25. This is a great activity for you to do as a family and with friends. You could even have a dinner party and invite people to bring items, or involve your children with the shopping for the items and maybe even choosing what to purchase. Say a prayer for the people who will use the items and share about this organization with others.

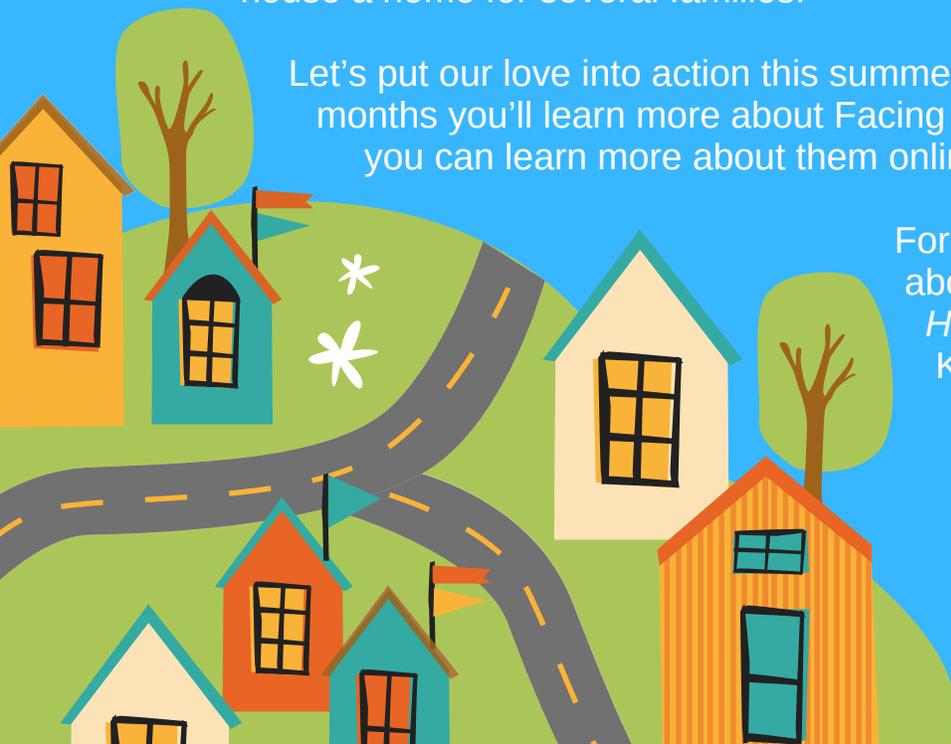
Once we collect all of the items, we'll pack the baskets after worship on September 8 and deliver them to Facing Forward so that we can be a part of making a house a home for several families!

Let's put our love into action this summer! Throughout the summer months you'll learn more about Facing Forward during worship, you can learn more about them online at www.ffchicago.org

For more information or questions about our *Let's Make a House a Home* mission project, reach out to Kathy Wennerstrum.

**Choose a tag in
the Narthex or
Jones Room!**

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Below is a list of items we are collecting for Facing Forward during the PCWS *Let's Make a House a Home* summer mission project. Read through the list to find quantities, descriptions, and prices.

How to get involved:

- 1) Select a tag from the Narthex or Jones Room
- 2) Purchase the items and quantities listed on the tag
- 3) Drop off the items at the church
- 4) Plan to help assemble baskets on September 8 at Fellowship

Options in this list are estimated to cost

\$5 to \$10

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| Dish Soap | 3 | x | 18 to 24 oz. bottles, any brand |
| Disinfecting Surface Wipes | 3 | x | Containers of at least 35 wipes each |
| Toilet Bowl Cleaner | 4 | x | Bottles of 24 oz. cleaner |
| Toilet Bowl Brush & Holder | 2 | x | Brushes and holders |
| Bar Soap | 8 | x | 4-oz. bars |

Options in this list are estimated to cost

\$10 to \$15

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| Laundry Detergent | 3 | x | 30 to 50 oz bottles of liquid detergent |
| Dryer Sheets | 4 | x | Medium sized boxes |
| Multipurpose Spray Cleaner | 4 | x | Bottles of 32 oz. cleaner |
| Kitchen Garbage Bags | 2 | x | Boxes of 45 13-gallon bags |
| Toothbrushes | 4 | x | Packages of 4-6 toothbrushes |
| Toothpaste | 6 | x | 6-oz. tubes |
| Kitchen Towels | 4 | x | Kitchen towels |

Options in this list are estimated to cost

\$15 to \$20

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| Sponges | 3 | x | Packages of 4-6 sponges |
| Set of Bathroom Towels | 1 | x | Set of six towels (see tag for details) |