

Way's To Get Involved: Group Ideas

Bake Desserts: This idea is a great activity for women and church groups! Have your group choose their favorite cake, pie, brownie or cookies to bake. Bring them in individually, or do a group collection and then bring your desserts in to treat our guests to something sweet at lunch!

Book/Magazine Drive: Collect books/magazines and fill our book shelves for our guests to enjoy and take home! We have a shelf for adults as well as children books.

<u>Christmas Candy Tins:</u> This is a great idea for women and church groups! Participate in our Christmas Candy Tins by volunteering your time to help us make candy and assemble tins. Directions and recipes are provided. Candy tins are made each December.

Cook Team: Do you have a passion for cooking? Bring your talents to The Corner Table and make yourself at home in our kitchen. Some teams purchase their own food, while others use what we have to utilize food donations. It is up to you! Cook leaders consist of 1-5 individuals who will be assisted by our kitchen staff. 18 and up only.

<u>Decorate Paper Bags:</u> This idea is great for younger kids! Purchase brown or white paper lunch bags and have your children color, draw, and write sayings on them. These bags will be used to pack to-go-bags at the end of the week.

Food Drive: *Great for any age!* Choose to host a food drive, or choose one to two items to collect. Items to collect: Mayonnaise, Ranch, Vienna Sausages, Potted Meat, Peanut Butter Crackers, etc. Make it a competition among your group, or if you are a church, do it among your Sunday School Classes. Each Christmas we host "Christmas on The Corner" for our guests. For families we send them home with a food bag that includes: Canned Ham, Green Beans, Corn, Mac-N-Cheese, and a Can of Fruit. Those items can be collected October 1 – December 12th. All other items can be turned in throughout the year.

Homemade Cookies: *This idea is a great activity for youth and younger kids!* Purchase your favorite cake box mix and make a batch of homemade cookies. A full recipe will be provided if needed. Cookies go great in our to-go-bags.

Homemade Laundry Detergent: This is a great idea for youth and younger kids! Purchase or collect ingredients to create detergent. Ingredients include: Fels Naptha Soap, Borax, and Arm & Hammer Washing Soda. Mix ingredients together, bag in zip lock bags, staple the directions for guests on to bags. Directions will be provided.

<u>Homemade Snacks:</u> This is a great activity for youth and younger kids! Choose a snack that will be easy for your group to assemble. Ideas include: Peanut Butter Crackers, Trail Mix, and Rice Krispy Treats. These items are excellent to go in our togo-bags.

Saturday Bag Lunches: This is a great idea for youth, companies, and church groups! Bag lunches are provided on Saturdays only when a group commits to making them. Groups would pick a date, collect the items, assemble bags, and then come to The Corner Table to hand them out. Bag lunches are handed out from 11-11:30AM. Materials for bags are based on the group. 200+ bags are usually made. A Corner Table representative will assist you on bag day. Sample items to include: Sandwich or Hotdog, Individual Chips, Cookies, String Cheese, Bottled Water or Soda, Juice Boxes.

To-Go-Bags: This is a great idea for youth, companies, and church groups! We send to-go-bags home with our guests at the end of each week to cover for another meal. Have your group collect items to fill the bags for a week. Items include: Vienna Sausages or Potted Meat or Roman Noodles, Snack Pack or Fruit Cup, Peanut Butter Crackers, Individual Chips, Cookies or something else sweet! Sandwiches are provided. We usually make 150+ to-go-bags each week. Your group can choose the number they wish to make.

Toiletry Drive: Each Christmas we host "Christmas on The Corner" for our guests. As a gift to the adults, we provide each one with a bag of toiletries. Toiletries include: Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Tooth Brush, Tooth Paste, Laundry Detergent, Soap, Shampoo/Conditioner. Toiletry collection Dates for COTC: October 1 – December 12, 2014. Toiletry items can be collected throughout the year and be used as bingo prizes, etc.

Toy Drive: Each Christmas we host "Christmas on The Corner" for our guests. Santa is always invited to attend! Help us provide kids in our area who are less fortunate with a toy/gift! Toy collection Dates: October 1 – December 12, 2014.

Work Day: This is a great idea for youth and men! Pick a Saturday to come in and help us clean and organize. Duties include: Cleaning stove and oven, pressure washing, painting railings, sweeping, etc.