

The NEST Empowerment Center seeks donations for food pantry, hygiene closet

As the start of the school year inches closer, the Georgetown Project's NEST Empowerment Center is seeking in-kind donations for its food pantry and hygiene closet. Donations are given to Georgetown ISD students, many of which are at-risk or experiencing homelessness.

Products needed include:

- Deodorant
- Shampoo, conditioner and body wash
- Body cleansing wipes
- Shaving creams for both men and women
- Feminine hygiene products such as pads, tampons and Dive cups
- Backpacks
- Paper towels and toilet paper
- Large and small trash bags
- Clorox wipes
- Instant mac & cheese, Ramen noodles, Cup O Noodles and Chef Boyardee products
- Fruit cups, granola bars, chip snack bags, Capri Suns and juice boxes
- Gift cards to HEB, Walmart, Target and Uber
- Art supplies
- Sensory items (slimes, playdough, squeezy things, fidget toys)
- Packs of underwear and socks

Personal hygiene supplies must have unbroken safety seals, be full-sized and not expired in order to be accepted.

Donations are tax deductible.

Those wishing to donate should contact NEST Coordinator Brigid Cooley at brigid@georgetownproject.org. Phone calls can be made to the NEST at 512-943-8056 or the Georgetown Project main office at 512-943-0074.

The NEST Empowerment Center is a Georgetown Project program providing an after-school safe haven for Georgetown ISD students who are in need of resources, at-risk or experiencing homelessness. Services and resources provided include evening meals, school supplies, homework help, job readiness training, connection to community resources and caring adults, as well as other supportive, therapeutic and enriching services.

Community service opportunities are also provided weekly during the calendar school year to GISD high school students. Visit https://georgetownproject.org/the-nest-empowerment-center/ for additional information.