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Service Projects for <18 year olds

Thank you for thinking of us!!!! Here are a number of ideas your small or large group, or individual can meet their service hours by assisting Launch Ministry. When you have decided that Launch Ministry is a good fit for you service project, contact Stephanie to begin making plans.

- 1) **Host a bake sale or lemonade stand.** How about sell a snow ball to throw at a teacher or coach? Financial donations pay the rent and cover additional expenses for the Drop-in Center.
- 2) **Item collection.** This is a wonderful way to help others on your schedule. The *Ongoing Needs List* contains a list of items needed, however, feel free to include similar items. See the *Group Collections List* for additional information on logistics. Here are a few additional ideas, and feel free to add your own spin:
 - a) Have each team member collect items from their house and from their neighbors that are “extras”. Have a discussion of how these “extras” are “essentials” for others.
 - b) Coordinate a collection drive at school, as a team or a particular event or location, even making it a contest. You could further divide up items in order to not have 90% of one type of product.
 - c) Have each individual collect one of every personal product they use on a regular basis.

Schedule a drop-off time to include a ½ hour age appropriate introduction to young adult homelessness.

Incorporate Economic Lessons
 Calculate expenses and volunteer hours for the In-Kind Donation & Volunteer Hours Form as a group or per individuals. This includes money and time management.
 Calculate the cost of all personal items needed by an individual in a single day. Discuss how to pay for it on a \$9.50/hr wage and \$785/mo. rent. (Include no public transportation.)

3) **Provide a Tuesday night dinner.** This is more appropriate for smaller groups. Cooking can be done as a group activity at your location, then either dropped-off or join us for the meal. Choose a date through our website at www.launchministry.org/get-involved, click on “Volunteer Here”.

4) **On-site work project.** Includes ½ hour age appropriate introduction to young adult homelessness and 1-1.5 hour cleaning and organizing of the Drop-In Center.

Additional Information:

- **Contact us for a digital copy of our logo, hard-copies of our fliers, and other information to assist in your project.**
- **Invite us to speak at your location or event.** We will do our best to meet your schedule.
- **Please fill-out an *In-Kind Donation & Volunteer Hours Form*.** Each individual who wants a tax donation receipt will need to fill out their own form. This information assists us in applying for grants to continue to fund programs, the drop-in center, and staff.