



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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## Ways The Community Can Assist Homeless People

- Donate time and/or money to a local charity that provides food, clothing, or other services that promote self-sufficiency.
  - To serve a meal, contact St. Luke's Episcopal Church (562) 436-4047, Long Beach Rescue Mission (562) 591-1292, Project Achieve (562) 218-9864.
  - To donate canned and non-perishable goods, contact Catholic Charities (562) 591-1641, Food Finders (562) 598-3003
- Conduct a community drive for hygiene products, laundry soap, sunscreen, new socks, shoes and winter clothing. Drop off the donated collection to the Multi-Service Center at 1301 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, major cross streets are Anaheim and Harbor in west Long Beach.
- Donate money to Long Beach CARES, a non-profit organization promoting public health and human services, for gap financial assistance to prevent and end homelessness. Mail checks to 2525 Grand Avenue, Room 235, Long Beach, CA 90815. For more information on Long Beach CARES, please visit: <http://www.longbeachcares.org/>
- Donate money to the Mayor's Fund for the Homeless, which provides significant support to programs providing assistance to the homeless community in Long Beach. For more information on the Mayor's Fund or to make a donation please visit: <http://www.longbeach.gov/health/services/directory/mayors-fund/>
- Carry copies of the "Pocket Guide Resource Directory" in your car and distribute them in lieu of cash to people who approach you for resources. Pick up copies of the "Pocket Guide Resource Directory" at the Health Department or the MSC.
- If you are a doctor, lawyer, dentist, optometrist, hairdresser/barber, etc., volunteer time to provide pro-bono services to someone in need.
- Donate backpacks full of school supplies or school uniforms for homeless students to the Bethune Transitional School at (562) 435-2050.
- Adopt a family and support them during their transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency.

**For more information, please contact:**

### **The Multi-Service Center (MSC)**

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