



# northwestern settlement

OPENING DOORS TO BETTER FUTURES

The Food Pantry at Northwestern Settlement is collecting a variety of donations for our neighbors.

If your donations are good enough for your family, they're good enough for the people we serve. **Please review the standards below to ensure we are able to help our neighbors with your donations.**

## FOOD

- Canned Foods (vegetables, fruits, soups, beans, etc.)
- Boxed foods (cereals, crackers, etc.)
- **Food must be unopened**

## CLOTHING

- Clothing (all sizes): bottoms, tops, accessories, underwear
- Pajamas
- Swimming suits, beach towels, other summer items
- Winter coats, hats, gloves, mittens, scarves
- **Socks, underwear and pajamas must be new**
- **All clothes must be clean**

## BABY GEAR

- Like-new baby gear: strollers, car seats, swings, pack 'n' plays
- New safety, feeding, bedding, health supplies
- **All equipment must be less than 5 years old, in perfect working order, with instructions, all hardware, and attachments in a Ziploc bag**
- **If batteries are required, discard old batteries and include new ones**
- **No cribs or other baby furniture**

# DONATION GUIDELINES

## HOUSEHOLD

- Kitchen supplies: pots and pans, knives, utensils, hot plates, microwaves, blenders
- Dish soap, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies
- Sheets and blankets
- Walkers, canes
- Window curtains, shower curtains, rugs
- Furniture
- **Must be like-new and in working order**
- **Include all instructions, hardware, and attachments**

## SHOES

- Shoes (all sizes): sneakers, sandals, boots
- **Attach matched pairs with rubber bands**

## NEW HYGIENE

- Toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss
- Hand soap, bar soap, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, lotion
- Bandages and other first aid items
- Diapers (all sizes, baby and adult) and wipes
- **Toiletries must be new**

## TOYS/ART/CRAFTS/SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- Should be clean and contain all pieces, instructions, and batteries (if required)
- New markers, crayons, school supplies, stamps, craft kits, clay and dough, paper crafts, painting supplies, activity and coloring books
- **No stuffed animals, videos, computer games, violent toys, big plastic toys, riding toys, playhouse kitchens, table and chair sets**

*At the holidays, we also collect donations of gifts for our neighbors.*