

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HELP FROM HOME GUIDE



DECEMBER HOLIDAY EDITION

Make a Difference

- Welcome to "Virtual Volunteerism!" COVID has forced us to shift from social embrace to social distancing. Perhaps now more than ever, it's so important to be connected to the community.
- Join SVdP as we are [Reflecting Hope](#) this Holiday season. Consider making a donation to help others and you may benefit from the [AZ Tax Credit](#).
- Join us as we celebrate [25 Days of Giving!](#)
- Ever wondered how you can personally make a difference for a family in need? Learn more about our [Angels On Call Program](#) bringing together people who need help with people who can help.

Community Advocacy & Outreach

- Host a [Driveway Drive](#) to collect new toys for kids of all ages to be distributed to families in our Dream Center, Resource Center to the Homeless and in all of our Dining Rooms. Or order new toys from the comfort of your couch using our [Amazon Wish List](#) and your order of toys will be sent directly to us!
- Advocate for more shelter beds in downtown Phoenix. We need the City's approval for a new permit. Every signature and letter counts as the vote could be in January!
<https://fromstreettohome.org>
- During the holiday season, many feel a calling to help those living on the streets. The Healthy Giving Council urges this generosity be focused on long-term solutions. [Learn more](#)

Family Activities

- Make [Waterless Shower Kits](#) for those who do not have access to showers.
- Wish our Residents, Guests & Patients a Happy Holiday with a [Homemade Card](#).
- Create [Winter Blessing Bags](#) to be used to distribute much needed items to those in our community experiencing homelessness.
- Join one of our Holiday Hearts & Hands live events. Have fun learning about philanthropy and SVdP while doing arts & crafts. RSVP for Saturday [December 5th](#) or [December 19th](#) and help spread the holiday spirit to others.
- Build [Covid Kits](#) to keep our community safe, healthy & warm and we will distribute them to those in need.

Letters & Crafts

- [Write Letters](#) to our current and former transitional housing residents. They are especially in need of staying home right now, and would appreciate knowing they are thought of and cared for.
- Make [Fabric Masks](#) - we're doing everything we can to keep our residents, guests, volunteers and staff safe and would be grateful for your help! Consider using fun holiday fabric to add to the holiday festiveness!
- Design [Sack Lunch Blessing Cards](#) to encourage someone when they open their lunch and wish them a Happy Holiday.
- Purchase or make [Santa Bags](#) for distribution of gifts to all the kids in our Family Evening Meal. We'll load all Santa's goodies into each family's sleigh!
- [Handy With a Hook?](#) Crochet or knit scarves, hats and mittens to keep our community warm during cold nights and mornings.

Gratitude

Thank you for helping us continue to be the "Society of We're All In This Together."

Contact: HelpFromHome@svdpaz.org with questions & ideas!