

**National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week
Together We Give Event, Saturday, November 18th**



~Be an Angel of Hope~

Community Donation Day Benefiting Local Charities Supporting the Homeless Community

On November 18th, clean out your closets, recycle, donate and help others through Together We Give's Community Donation Day. Please note, since this is an item-specific drive, only items (*not impacted by smoking*) below will be accepted.

Central Contra Costa County Site

November 18th

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

First Presbyterian Church

1965 Colfax Street
Concord

Participating Charities:

Contra Costa Homeless Services
Contra Costa Interfaith Housing
Trinity Center

Items to be collected:

Non-perishable food (canned soups/stew, peanut butter and jelly, pasta, cup of noodles, crackers, granola, protein bars, dried fruit, nuts, pop tops, canned foods: soups, meat, chicken, fish, rice, and beans – no glass containers), hygiene kits (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, comb, brush, deodorant, razor blades, toilet paper, etc.), feminine hygiene products, wipes and diaper sizes 3-5, hand sanitizer, unopened lip balm, undergarments (undershirts, underwear), socks for men, women & children, Holiday food items (meats, poultry, and all the fixings), Holiday gifts for men, women & children, sweatshirts (including hooded) sweats (tops/pants-all sizes, mainly large), jackets, umbrellas, plastic rain coats/ponchos, gloves, hats, new pillows/blankets, backpacks, bags, bike u-locks, helmets, sleeping bags, towels

East Contra Costa County Site

November 18th

9:00 pm - 12:00 pm

Antioch Police Department

300 L Street
Antioch

Participating Charities:

Contra Costa Homeless Services
Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa
County

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West Contra Costa County Site

November 18th

9:00 pm - 12:00 pm

GRIP Souper Center

165 22nd Street
Richmond

Participating Charities:

Bay Area Rescue Mission
Contra Costa Homeless Services
Greater Richmond Interfaith Program

Items to be collected:

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Contra Costa County Key Homelessness Statistics

- Over the last 5 years, the Homelessness Continuum of Care has had a 134% increase in the number of seniors served.
- Approximately 640 households with minors were served in 2016-2017
- Approximately 418 homeless veterans were served in 2016-2017
- On any given night, approximately 1600 are homeless within our county.

Your support *can make a difference*. Your support can turn despair to hope and a path to a new beginning.

If you would like to donate to the Contra Costa Housing Security Fund, go to <http://bit.ly/1ScFnLN>

The fund covers costs that can prevent many people, including seniors, veterans, and families, from getting back into housing and protects property owners who offer these screened renters an opportunity.

**For additional information, go to www.togetherwegive.org or email Togetherwegive@yahoo.com.
Donation receipts will be provided – all donations are tax deductible per government guidelines.**