You can help serve one or both parts of Ward 4 Mutual Aid by an in-kind donation.

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# 1. Support our Grocery and Supply Distribution

Our <u>Amazon</u> lists give you a good idea of the kind of items we are always in need of - and we encourage you to purchase those items locally if you're so inclined!

### **ITEMS FOR BABIES:**

- Unopened sleeves of diapers
- Baby wipes
- Unexpired sealed baby formula and baby food

### ITEMS WE USE FOR FOOD/SUPPLY DISTRIBUTION:

- Canned foods, unexpired, of any kind.
- Cloth/canvas/vinyl reusable grocery bags
- Factory made or handmade face masks (adults and child sizes)

#### **DROPPING OFF ITEMS:**

• Please reach out to <a href="mailto:dcward4mutualaid@gmail.com">dcward4mutualaid@gmail.com</a> to let us know you have items to donate, and someone will coordinate with you. The Brightwood Park United Methodist Church at 744 Jefferson St NW is where we will ask you to bring your items to at a designated date and time.

• If you don't schedule in advance, you can also generally find us on the third Friday of each month at the church between 9 and 11:30am and on the third Saturday of each month between 9 and 11:00am.

# WE DO NOT CURRENTLY HAVE THE CAPACITY TO ACCEPT DONATIONS OF THESE ITEMS:

- Children's clothing
- Baby gear (high chairs, pack-n-plays, car-seats, etc)
- Adult clothing
- Household goods
- We recommend you donate accepted items to <u>A Wider Circle</u>, where you can drop items off to their location in Silver Spring every day of the week except Sundays and Thursdays.

## 2. Support our Unhoused Neighbors

The Unhoused Advocacy team has a separate Amazon list.

## We are always looking for the following items:

- MEN'S gently used clothing & shoes (particularly in sizes medium & up)
- Rolling suitcases, duffel bags, backpacks, tote bags or other reusable bags
- Kitchen towels
- Disposable plates & cups
- Toiletries (particularly natural hair products)

Please drop off on Saturdays (every Saturday <u>except</u> the first one of the month!) between 1:30 & 3:00pm at Simpson Hamline church, 4501 16th St NW.

We also occasionally need the items below. Please email us at <a href="w4maua@gmail.com"><u>w4maua@gmail.com</u></a> to find out if it is a good time to gift these items:

- WOMEN'S gently used clothing & shoes (particularly in sizes medium & up)
- Cleaning supplies, including dish soap, sponges & toilet bowl cleaner
- Clean takeout containers and disposable utensils
- Reusable water bottles (during the spring/summer) or reusable travel mugs/Thermos containers (during the winter)

• Move-in kits (Maybe you want to make one or part of one?): Set of 2 gently used bath & hand towels w/ wash clothes, dishware & glasses, kitchen utensils, dish drying rack, other items you think a first time renter might need)

### WE ARE NOT ABLE TO TAKE DONATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Used underwear, including undershirts (except bras) or socks (unless they're heavier hiking socks for the winter)
- Formalwear
- Children's items (unless you have contacted & have received approval from one of our organizers)
- We recommend you donate accepted items to <u>A Wider Circle</u>, where you can drop items off to their location in Silver Spring every day of the week except Sundays and Thursdays.