## Help us help them

The Point in Time Count volunteers provide care kits to unsheltered folks while canvassing Oakland County. We need your help with collecting items for the care kits.



## Currently seeking donations for the following items:

- Travel Size Shampoo
- Travel Size bar of soap
- Dental Floss
- Travel Size hand lotion
- Water bottles
- Deodorant
- Granola Bars

- Mini Hand Sanitizer
- Hand Warmers
- Winter Hats
- Winter Gloves
- Socks
- Blankets

## If you are able to donate any of the above items, please reach out to Ashley at acuniberti-alliance@oaklandhomeless.org to coordinate pickup or drop off.

## About the Point in Time Count (PIT)

The Point in Time is an annual sheltered and unsheltered count of people experiencing homelessness that is conducted across the nation in the last week of January each year. The PIT Count is essential to gain a better understanding of the number of people who are experiencing homelessness in Oakland County on any given night. The data gathered helps shape policy and programs designed to assist some of our most vulnerable residents. Over 100 volunteers canvass Oakland County to survey those living on the street, resources and care packages are offered.

Some of the data we collect is required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, or HUD, and some of it is information that we as a community want to know to help us understand how well we're serving people and plan how best to use our resources. The required information is ultimately reported to HUD by every community nationwide, so the surveys that are completed with folks are linked directly to the data we have to report and to the information we need to help us plan our programs locally.

More info about PIT at <u>https://www.oaklandhomeless.org/point-in-time</u>