

Action Guide

You can make a difference today – in the community or from your own home! Here are some immediate ways you can be part of the solution:

Volunteer - Your volunteer service increases the capacity of non-profit organizations to help people return to stable, productive lives. Would you like to...

- Welcome shelter guests
- Help people find community resources
- Prepare and serve meals
- Volunteer at an event
- Or find another way to serve?

Donate — Non-profits need donations of cash and in-kind goods (food, toiletries, blankets, socks, and more) to continue their work. You can:

- Give as an individual one time, or recurring donation
- Organize a drive online, in your neighborhood, or at your club or faith community
- Host a group volunteer project for example, assemble hygiene kits

Every dollar and every pair of new socks helps! For in-kind gifts, please check with the organization first to find out what they need.

Find non-profit organizations:

Membership Lists | Boise/Ada County Homeless Coalition | Boise, Idaho (homelesscoalitionboise.com)
Partners | Our Path Home

Show Kindness — Acknowledge unhoused people you see on the street. Start a conversation. Or keep a few useful items with you to share like water bottles, or gift cards for groceries or fast food.

Educate Yourself and Others — By learning and sharing the truth, you can help dispel myths that hinder efforts to lift up our neighbors and create safe, affordable homes for everyone.

Be an Advocate — *The Love is too quiet!* People who oppose things are loud. Elected officials need to hear from people who <u>want and support affordable housing and services for people in need</u>. Sign up for Action Alerts to receive links and information that will help you advocate for compassionate laws and policies.

Resources for Education and Advocacy:

www.homelesscoalitionboise.com
Home - Idaho Asset Network
Take Action - National Alliance to End Homelessness

Join the Homeless Coalition — Join a community of citizens that care about their neighbors! Your membership supports the Coalition's efforts to help end homelessness in Boise/Ada County.

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