

Solid Ground

Service Project Ideas for Small Groups

Solid Ground – Solid Ground provides housing and holistic support services to help families build the strong foundations they need to emerge from homelessness into a brighter future.

- **Coat Drive** – Help sort and mark donated winter wear items at Incarnation. Transport coats to Solid Ground. Set-up coat shop and help families select winter wear at Solid Ground. Daytime opportunities in September and October. Contact Claire Gilbert at claireg11@msn.com or 612-385-7453 or Mary Hoyme at m.hoyme@comcast.net or 651-628-9629
- **Night to Unite** – Celebrate community with Solid Ground families at a festive gathering in their White Bear Lake location. Join in with others to serve dinner, help with children's activities or set-up/take down tables and activity stations. First Tuesday every August with opportunities between 5:00 and 8:30pm. Contact Diane Betterley at dianebetterley@gmail.com or 651-238-4040 or Dylan McDonough at dmcdonoug@solidgroundmn.org or 651-846-9024.
- **Birthday Bags, Welcome Basket cleaning supplies, Spring Shower household items** - Create birthday bags for families to celebrate their child's birthday. Bags include cake mix, frosting, plates, napkins, flatware, decoration items and small gift. A birthday greeting for the child is always appreciated. Collect cleaning supplies, essential household items, socks, personal items etc. for families to welcome them to their new home or meet their most immediate needs. A small group recently requested a grant from Thrivent for purchase of items to add to their donations. Opportunities throughout the year. Contact Diane Betterley at dianebetterley@gmail.com or 651-238-4040.
- **Cleaning, Painting, Landscaping Projects, etc** – Contact Dylan for ways your small group can spruce up Solid Ground's gathering spaces, dmcdonoug@solidgroundmn.org or 651-846-9024.
- **Community Meals** – Community meals provide an opportunity for families to make connections with each other, volunteers, and staff. It also helps stretch families' food budget and provides access to healthy meals. Volunteers provide, prepare and serve a community meal for up to 75 people at Solid Ground on a Tues., Wed. or Thurs. from 5 to 7pm. Contact Dylan McDonough at dmcdonoug@solidgroundmn.org or 651-846-9024 for more information.