

Build a Kit for Kids

A Warm Welcome for Our Smallest Clients

Entering a shelter can be overwhelming for young children. At the Community Shelter, we want to make this transition as comforting as possible. That's why we've created Kid Kits—a special welcome gift for each child who comes through our doors. Each Kid Kit is thoughtfully assembled with items designed to bring comfort and joy to children during a challenging time.

These kits can include:

- A soft, cuddly stuffed animal or plush toy
- A cozy blanket or soft pillow
- Age-appropriate books and coloring supplies
- Age-appropriate toys and/or games
- Card games
- A personal journal or sketchbook for expressing feelings
- A gift card for teenagers
- Reusable bags to store items in (backpacks, drawstring bags, etc)

Every item in the Kid Kit is theirs to keep, providing a sense of security and continuity. In a new and unfamiliar space, these kits offer a comforting piece of normalcy and something they can hold onto, even after they leave our shelter.

Where do I drop off my items?

Bring items to our facility at 160 Meadow Street in Monroe any day from 7:30 am to 7:30 pm. Please avoid mealtimes of 8-9 am, Noon-1 pm, and 6-7 pm.

For more information, email Volunteer@UnionShelter.org.