

FOCUS

NORTH ✚ AMERICA

BAG OF BLESSINGS

THE NEED

Do you often see people on the street who are homeless? Having something to offer can be a great tool to connect and share fellowship with a person who usually gets passed by.

WHAT IS IT?

To help you create your own personal service project, we will send you a tote bag to fill with gifts for someone in need, along with suggestions of what you can give, including inspirational words.

This is a good project for a family, parish, school, or a very personal project. It's up to you.

HOW TO DO IT:

- Email Katrina at the YES Program at kbitar@focusna.org with:
 - Number of bags you'd like.
 - Mailing address you'd like them sent to
- Visit our website and donor \$7 per bag by clicking on DONATE TO YES: www.focusnorthamerica.org/yes
Just \$7 allows us to send you a bag and also provide a meal for someone in need.
- We will send you a bag/s with suggest supplies to fill it with! It can be a toiletry bag or a snack bag. Once you have your bag ready, you can plan a time to go out and give it way, or you can keep it in your car and pray for an opportunity to present itself.

Sample Parish Bulletin Announcement:

<GROUP NAME or individual> will be hosting the "Bag of Blessings" project and fundraiser for the YES Program at FOCUS North America. The bags will be filled with snacks or toiletries and be distributed throughout the city for our homeless neighbors. We will be packing bags with necessities in the church hall on <DATE> at <TIME>.

About YES

The YES Program of FOCUS North America is Youth Equipped to Serve. YES provides opportunities for junior high students, high school students, college students, and families to participate in formative weekends of service that aim to bridge the gap between the rich and the poor and bring participants to an awareness of Christ in themselves and others.