**2020 Volunteer Opportunities for St. Vincent de Paul of Baltimore**

***Volunteering In-Person***

1. **Volunteering at KidzTable**- KidzTable community kitchen is preparing over 5,000 boxed meals for Recreation Centers and homeless shelters each day. We need healthy individuals to help pack box meals at our KidzTable location. We will need (4) volunteers per shift Monday through Friday.

The first shift will be 9AM-12PM

The second shift will be 12PM-3PM

*Please note that we will be following safety protocols including ensuring social distancing and providing gloves & masks.* ***You can sign up by contacting Maggie Eckhold at*** ***Maggie.eckhold@vincentbaltimore.org*** ***or******(443) 681-1932***

1. **Volunteering at Beans and Bread**- Beans and Bread is a day shelter located in Fells Point. We are currently serving over (100) lunches a day on a to-go basis.

The lunch shift will be from 11AM-1PM

*Please note that we will be following safety protocols including ensuring social distancing and providing gloves.* ***You can sign up by contacting Margaret Holly at*** ***Margaret.holly@vincentbaltimore.org*** ***or 410-732-1892 ext. 111.***

**Volunteering Remotely**

1. **Equinox “*Sleep Out Challenge*” Campaign -** July 31, 2020, we will launch the **Sleep Out Challenge.**  We are seeking individuals to accept the challenge of “Sleep Out” with a small light, and post to social media with predetermined hashtags. This image will serve as a symbolic gesture to raise awareness on the issue of homelessness in Baltimore.

“*Sleep Out and Share the Light*” can take many different forms, for example:
 *- Setting up a tent with a flashlight in your backyard
 - Curling up in a sleeping bag and a battery powered lantern on your deck or porch
 - Opening window and “sleeping out” in your living room with a single candle.*
By accepting the challenge, individuals, families, or a small groups of close friends will

* Post a picture of their ‘Sleep Out’
* Donate $25, and
* Challenge/Tag a minimum of 3-4 more individuals to join the campaign.

The goal will be to get 4,000 participants to reflect the approximate number of individuals who experience homelessness in the Baltimore region each night.

**To join the Sleep Out and Share the Light campaign or to receive a social media toolkit, contact Maggie Eckhold at** **Maggie.eckhold@vincentbaltimore.org** **or (443) 681-1932.**

1. **Bagged lunches** – Assemble bagged lunches for drop off at our Beans & Bread facility.

*To organize a drop-off date, please contact* *Margaret.holly@vincentbaltimore.org* *or 410-732-1892 ext. 111.*

Lunches generally include the following:

* a meat and cheese sandwich (condiments on the side)
* chips (individual  serving size)
* unrefrigerated beverage (juice box, water, Gatorade...)
* soft fruit (fruit cup if preferred at this time)
* cookie (or other small treats)
1. **Hygiene Kits-** We are currently accepting hygiene kits at our Beans & Bread facility.
Hygiene kits may include shampoo, conditioner, bar soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and razors (travel size). *To organize a drop-off date, please contact* *Margaret.holly@vincentbaltimore.org* *or 410-732-1892 ext. 111.*
2. **Donating through Amazon** - While we cannot currently accept in-kind donations, we do have an Amazon Wishlist which can be accessed remotely.  Volunteers can select needed items from our curated Wishlist that will be delivered directly to our shelters. They can access the Wishlist by following this link: <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1KVMC7HYID3HM?type=wishlist>.
3. **Make a Donation** – We are accepting donations to maintain continual service through the crisis. Please visit our website [www.vincentbaltimore.org/donate](http://www.vincentbaltimore.org/donate) or mail checks to: St. Vincent de Paul of Baltimore, PO Box #16010, Baltimore, MD 21218.

**Questions?**

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