

W.O.M. Group Service Project

Brown Bag Lunches for the Homeless

Addresses the Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy: Feed the Hungry & Comfort the Afflicted

Summary: Candidates & Parents will bake cookies, receive a presentation, pack brown bag lunches, and then distribute the lunches to the Homeless in the Sacramento area. This Service Project will be directed by the GSCC Works of Mercy Ministry and will include an education presentation based on their experiences helping and feeding the Homeless in our greater community.

Note: this Service Project will proceed rain or shine.

25 Candidates MAX per WOM Service Project Session (plus a parent for each Candidate)

Costs: WILL VARY – The cookie ingredients and some of the brown bag lunch supplies will be provided by the St. Vincent de Paul, Works of Mercy, & ONE EIGHT Ministries, but we will still need all of the participating families to purchase and bring some supplies and ingredients to complete the brown bag lunches. The Works of Mercy Ministry members will have a “grocery list” on the cookie baking night for families to sign up and provide items for the brown bag lunches.

When you attend the Cookie Baking night, please bring the following items with you:

- Set of measuring spoons
- Set of (DRY) measuring cups (*no liquid measuring cups are needed for this recipe*)
- **Optional** – if you have an electric (hand-held or counter top) mixer with beaters, this is very helpful to bring.

All other baking equipment will be available in the kitchen.

Sessions for this WOM Service Project:

Session	Cookie Baking / Education Presentation 6:30 – 8:30 PM (Parish Hall)	<u>AND</u>	Brown Bag Lunches / Distribution 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM (Parish Hall)
			We are starting in the Parish Hall then we'll go out in the community to distribute the brown bag lunches.
Session #1	Wednesday, November 2, 2022	<u>AND</u>	Saturday, November 5, 2022
Session #2	Friday, January 20, 2023	<u>AND</u>	Sunday, January 22, 2023
Session #3	Friday, February 10, 2023	<u>AND</u>	Sunday, February 12, 2023
Session #4	Friday, April 14, 2023	<u>AND</u>	Sunday, April 16, 2023
Session #5	Wednesday, April 26, 2023	<u>AND</u>	Saturday, April 29, 2023

You may NOT mix & match dates for this Service Project.

You MUST attend both dates listed per Session to satisfy the Service Project requirements.

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Comfort Blankets & Teddy Bears to benefit W.E.A.V.E.

Addresses the Spiritual & Corporal Works of Mercy: Console & Comfort the Afflicted & Shelter the Homeless

- **Summary:** Each family will purchase **fleece material** to make a “no-sew” blanket & donate a new or gently used teddy bear/stuffed animal to benefit W.E.A.V.E. – a non-profit organization that shelters and provides services to victims of domestic abuse in the Sacramento area. One of the very first acts of comfort, security, and safety that W.E.A.V.E provides to EVERY person (children and adults) is provide them with one of the donated blankets & Teddy Bears. You will receive a demonstration and instructions for making the no-sew blanket and we will also receive a presentation from one of the Community Educators from W.E.A.V.E. about the services this organization provides. At the end of the session, we’ll load the car(s) for delivery of the blankets and stuffed animals to W.E.A.V.E.!

If there is a parent in need of a service hour, please know that I’ll be asking for a volunteer to deliver the blankets to W.E.A.V.E. in downtown Sacramento. It’s super easy!

50 Candidates MAX per WOM Service Project Session (plus a parent for each Candidate)

Costs: WILL VARY – Make sure to use your coupons & look for sales on the fleece material (Joann’s Fabrics has the best selection of fleece material in town and often has them on sale!)

Please bring the following items with you when you attend:

- **Fleece material: 2 cut pieces of coordinating fleece materials**
- **IF making 1 Large Blanket (for an older child, teen, or adult):** 2 cuts (2.5 yards in length for each cut) of each fleece fabric (I recommend 1 print and 1 solid cut of material).
 - **IF making 1 Small Blanket (for a young child, toddler, or infant):** 2 cuts (1.25 yards in length for each cut) of each fleece fabric (I recommend 1 print and 1 solid cut of material).
 - *JoAnn’s Fabrics also has kits with pre-cut fleece material.*
- **1 SMALL or MEDIUM (10-15 inches tall) Teddy Bear or Stuffed Animal PER blanket:** These stuffed animals can be NEW or GENTLY USED. If donating a gently used Teddy Bear, it MUST be washed & dried (it will do just fine in the washer & dryer) at home before bringing it with you.
- **At least 1 Pair of GOOD FABRIC SCISSORS.** I can’t stress this enough – bring one (preferably two) GOOD pairs of FABRIC scissors!!!
- **1 or 2-inch wide cloth ribbon (2 yards):** this will be used to tie the stuffed animal and blanket together to make a complete package.

Sessions for this WOM Service Project:

Session	Date / Time / Location
Session #1	Saturday, February 4, 2023 / 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM / Parish Hall The W.E.A.V.E. presentation will include everyone from Sessions #1 & #2
Session #2	Saturday, February 4, 2023 / 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM / Parish Hall The W.E.A.V.E. presentation will include everyone from Sessions #1 & #2
Session #3	Saturday, March 11, 2023 / 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM / Parish Hall

