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BACKPACKS FOR LIFE DONATION DRIVE

PLEASE COLLECT THESE ITEMS:

FIRST-AID KIT (TRAVEL SIZE)
550 PARACORD (50 FT)
EMERGENCY BLANKET
RAIN PONCHO
WASHCLOTH
MINI FLASHLIGHT (WITH BATTERIES)
MINI SEWING KIT
BEANIE HAT
GLOVES

Friendly Reminder - If you wouldn't use the item, neither would a veteran. Please do **not** donate used, old, or expired items. We want the best for our veterans!

Please collect full-size items unless otherwise specified.

To Learn More about Backpacks For Life visit
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MONETARY DONATIONS ARE ALSO ACCEPTED:

DONATE $40 | SPONSOR ONE TOILETRY OR SUPPLY KIT FOR A VETERAN
DONATE $150 | SPONSOR 3-MONTHS OF SUPPLIES FOR A VETERAN
DONATE $200 | SPONSOR A FULLY STOCKED BACKPACK

DONATE ONLINE at www.backpacksforlife.org or mail to our office:
Backpacks For Life, 201 Montgomery Street #263 Jersey City, NJ 07302

DONATION DRIVE INSTRUCTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR A SUCCESSFUL DRIVE

1. **Distribute or Display the First Page:**
   - Share the first page of this packet with your group. It includes a list of items we're currently in need of.
   - We recommend purchasing items in bulk or tasking individuals to collect one of each item to make complete kits.

2. **Collect and Organize Items:**
   - To pack items into kits, separate each product into individual bins by item type (e.g., all ponchos in one bin).

3. **Host a Packing Event:**
   - Create an assembly line of all product bins on top of tables.
   - Take a 2-gallon Ziploc bag and fill it with one of each item from the list.
   - If you receive multi-pack items (e.g., a 2-pack of ponchos), break them open and put one in each kit.
   - Please label each bag **supply kit #1** when the kit is complete.
   - If you run out of items to complete a full kit (one of each item on the list), stop packing kits and collect the remaining items in bulk. We will add these to our bulk inventory for veterans.
   - When you are finished, follow drop off instructions on page 3.

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DROP OFF INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Drop-Off Location:**
   - Once your drive is complete, donations must be dropped off at the BFL Storage Facility located at **Fairfield Self Storage**, 226-228 Passaic Avenue, Fairfield, NJ 07004.
   - Please email us at info@backpacksforlife.org when your drive is complete to schedule a drop-off. Your drop-off must be coordinated ahead of time so we can ensure someone is available. Once scheduled, our team will provide you with arrival instructions.

2. **In-Kind Donation Form:**
   - You must complete an in-kind donation form (Page 4) prior to dropping off donations.
   - Please email the completed form directly to info@backpacksforlife.org or drop off with your donations.

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IN-KIND DONATION FORM

Thank you very much for making an in-kind donation to Backpacks For Life! This form will help us to properly record and acknowledge your generous contribution. If you have any questions, please contact our team at info@backpacksforlife.org

Date of Donation: _____

Organization/Company:_____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email:_____

Describe material item (s) being donated below:

Quantity: _____
Estimated Value of Donation: $_____

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