

CREATE CARE PACKAGES **VOLUNTEER KIT**





























YOUTH WHO "AGE-OUT" OF FOSTER CARE EACH YEAR ARE AT THE GREATEST RISK OF HOMELESSNESS

A NEW SOLUTION IS







- Approximately 400,000 youth are in foster care in the US.
 20k-35k age-out each year without support of family.
- 77 % of women aging-out become pregnant, risking another generation reentering the system.
- This population is at high risk for homelessness 50% of the homeless population spent time in foster care.
- Foster youth have higher rates of PTSD than combat veterans of the Vietnam and Iraq wars.
- Fewer than half of young adults were employed 12 to 18 months after aging out of the foster care system.

THE COST TO SOCIETY IS \$8 BILLION/ YEAR

THE SOLUTION



Imagine you have lived the first 18 years of your life in the foster care system, or maybe you've been struggling on the street. You've never had a family, much less a home to call your own. Now, at age 18, you have 'aged out' of the system' and are left with no support system and nowhere to go.

A Sense of Home is a distruptor model that transforms the lives of foster youth by creating their first-ever home. This is a chance at dignity - it offers a sense of self-worth and a foundation from which this vulnerable population can thrive.

Staff leading the program are former foster youth & one time recipients who work in a powerful partnership with youth paying it forward, and volunteers from the community to serve as family — furnishing the youths space with high quality donated furniture, love, hope & humanity that inspires the youth to be as successful as their new environment. The disruptive self-sustaining model is very low cost, a high return on investment & ready for replication around the US.

HOW YOU FIT IN



Creating Care Packages is an incredibly powerful way to contribute to A Sense of Home.

Create care packages for recurring supplies! Serve as family for these inspiring aged-youth who overcome great odds to get themselves in a home. Gather your friends once a month or once a year to create care packages of ongoing supplies.

You can decide on what you feel is most helpful in each care package.

Choose from one of the below care packages and make as many as 150/year.

- Spring cleaning, (ie linens, cleaning & hygiene supplies, cooking utensils, health bars)
- School supplies
- Holiday decoration kit
- Holiday hamper

Email our Program Director Yolanda at <u>Yolanda@asenseofhome.org</u> so we can help you plan.



WHAT MAKES A HOME





ALL ITEMS INSTALLED TO CREATE A SENSE OF HOME

DINING KIT

6x knife, fork & spoon set, utensil drawer holder, wash cloths, napkins, place mats, 4x platters, 4x salad or fruit bowls, 4x glass mixing bowls, 6x dinner & salad plates 6x cereal bowls, 6x drinking glasses, 6x coffee cups

COOKING KIT

utensil set (tongs, whisk, spatula, ladle, turner, wooden spoon, pasta fork), utensil holder, salad servers, scissors, peeler/parmesan shaver, can opener, small cutting knife, mid size cutting knife, bread knife, 2x cutting board, baking dish, 2x pots, 2x pans, strainer, 6x mason jars, set of tupperware

BEDROOM KIT

queen size linens including fitted sheet, flat sheet, comforter & comforter cover, 4x pillows, 4x pillow cases, 2x euro pillows, 2x euro shams, 3x throw pillows & bed skirt, throw blanket, 4x plain curtain panels, area rug

DECOR KIT

3x trays, 2x buddhas, objet d'art (i.e. shells, sculptures or bowls), 2x candle holders/lanterns, 2x candles, 10x varying sized vases, fake flowers, 4x throw pillows to match 4x plain panel curtains, 4x coffee table books, area rug

BATHROOM KIT

2x bath mats, shower curtain & hooks, 3x bath towels, 4x hand towels, 4x wash cloths, waste paper basket, soap holder, soap, tooth brush holder, tooth brush, tooth paste, deodorant. shampoo. conditioner

FURNITURE INSTALLED

Bed frames (with new mattresses), small dining/kitchen table, dining chairs, sofas , love seats, ottomans, side tables, coffee table, media cabinet, console, small book shelf, bedside tables, dresser, crib, baby changing tables & table & floor lamps.

ART KIT

16 pieces of art including 6 pieces that work together in living room, 6 pieces that work together in bedroom,2 pieces that work together in kitchen, 2 pieces that work together in bathroom

CLEANING KIT

windex, multi surface wipes, bathroom cleaner, chlorine wipes, gloves, paper towels, dish washing soap, washing sponge, broom, dustpan & brush, Swiffer sweeper wet kit, swifter sweeper wipes, magic eraser, trash can, trash bags

KIDS PLAY AREA KIT (ages 1-7)

play table, 2x chairs, books, stuffed toys, games, clothes, 7x pieces of art, area rug

KIDS KIT

twin size linens including fitted sheet, flat sheet, comforter, comforter cover, 2 pillows, 2x pillow cases & bed skirt, 2x throw pillows, throw blanket, 4x plain curtain panels, area rug

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VIDEOS







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TEXT SUGGESTION:

"One person can make a difference, and everyone should try" - John F Kennedy. JOIN ME! I'm raising money to create a home with @asenseofhomeorg - this is what true grassroots community building is.

#heartscreatehomes #asenseofhome #asoh #bethechange #ittakesavillage for #agedout #fosteryouth #payitforward

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TEXT SUGGESTION:

"We can change the world and make it a better place. It is in our hands to make a difference." Nelson Mandela JOIN ME in making a difference in a former foster youth's life by creating a HOME.

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TEXT SUGGESTION:

JOIN ME in creating a @asenseofhomeorg home for a foster care youth that has aged out of the system.

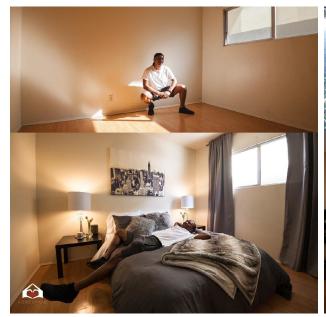
We see a lot of women and children homeless and left with nothing, but let's not forget the single fathers also need support! It takes a village.

#supportfathers #heartscreatehomes #asenseofhome #asoh #bethechange #ittakesavillage for #agedout #fosteryouth #payitforward

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PHOTOS













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Each photo has text you can share with your campaign link or feel free to drag images to your desktop to use on your crowdrise page in other social media efforts.

SAMPLE EMAIL TO YOUR FRIENDS



Even if you're sharing your plans over social media, it's a good idea to send a good old-fashioned email too! Feel free to modify the text below in any way you need.

Dear friends,

I would love to introduce you to a new cause and solution that I am deeply passionate about.

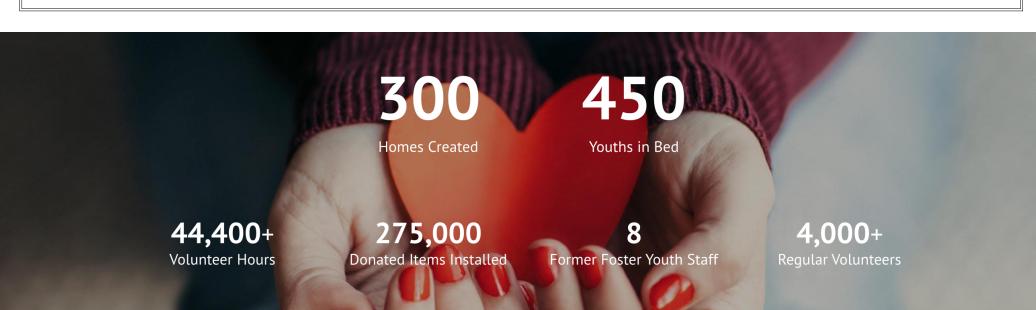
A Sense of Home (ASOH) is a disruptor model that transforms the lives of foster youth who "age out" of foster care by intervening before homelessness and/or before a return to homelessness.

ASOH creates the first ever home of foster youth who "age out" of foster care by. Run by program recipients, the staff works with volunteers like me to furnish the youth's space with quality donated furniture to provide dignity, self-worth and a foundation to thrive. Having never felt like they belonged in a home, their new inspired space is an opportunity for the youth to finally belong in the world and a foundation from which they can build a healthy new beginning.

Please join me in creating care packages for a young person who, through no fault of their own, are without family nor community. It takes a village. Let's be the village and revel in an incredibly powerful and uplifting experience.

With love,

[your name]



WANT TO KNOW MORE?



With our focus solely on the work, press has organically sought out ASOH. It's important to note — all press has come without a publicist nor any kind of agency.







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