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Fill the Pack Program



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FILL THE PACK ensures that no teen goes unnoticed this holiday season. This project provides the basic necessities and a small holiday surprise for the individuals served by Volunteers of America. Each backpack is filled with hand warmers, \$5 gift cards, UTA bus tokens, a water bottle, socks, boxer briefs, games, pens, notebooks, and adult coloring books.

If more convenient, a financial donation can be made to this program by visiting voaut.org/fillthepack. A \$100 donation will provide a backpack as well as valuable services to youth living on the streets. Some of these services include an intake evaluation; assistance with food, clothing and housing; as well as an opportunity to do their laundry or take a shower. Our case managers also work with them to obtain identification, assistance with education and help with employment services.

Each year, hundreds of people help youth find their way to a better life by providing meals, clothing, and job and housing help.



Fill the Pack was created by our volunteer and board member, Martha Crook, who got the idea of providing holiday backpacks for homeless youth during Christmas back in 2010. As a mother, she loved her vivacious and energetic teenager son, David, who unexpectedly passed away and which ultimately led Martha to Volunteers of America, Utah's Homeless Youth Resource Center. She came to the Center to donate David's clothes and was touched by a young homeless youth who was ecstatic and grateful for the clothes that Martha had brought in. From there, Martha knew her son was still with her and was giving her strength and the ability to move on. Fill the Pack is now an annual holiday drive that not only provides much needed items for youth but it also promotes the spirit of giving for many who so willingly give to make Fill the Pack a success each year!



*Martha Crook, VOA Board Member and
Chair of 2016 Fill The Pack*

Donate today @ voaut.org/FillthePack



Donations may be dropped off by December 9th
from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm at:
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