

How Do I Organize a Supply Drive?

The SHC is always looking great people like you to run a Supply Drive and give our clients food and toiletries. It's one of the **easiest and most effective** ways to help people in our community who are struggling. When you organize a Supply Drive for the SHC, you make sure that **our friends and neighbors meet their basic needs** and don't go hungry. Supply Drives **make a real difference** to Greater Somerville!

Here are the simple steps to organizing a Supply Drive:

1.) Get a list of needed items from the SHC and schedule a day and time to drop off the collected items. Email Jennifer at jbonardi@shcinc.org or call (617) 623-6111 x234.

2.) Decide on the people you would like to ask to contribute.

Do you want to ask your neighbors to contribute? Your coworkers? People from your school?

3.) Decide on the days you would like to hold the drive – perhaps a week, or a weekend?

For example, if you have it at work or school, you can hold it over the course of a week (Monday through Friday); people can give the items to you in a designated space during the hours you specify.

4.) Advertise the Supply Drive to your audience a week in advance, letting them know what items are needed, the dates/hours/place they can drop them off, and why this Supply Drive is important to the SHC.

5.) At the end of the drive, thank the participants and drop off the collected items at the SHC.

Thanks for organizing a Supply Drive for the SHC!

SHC Supply Drive

Needed Items

In general, we accept **canned** and **non-perishable** food items. Sample-size are fine, too.

We do not accept frozen or glass-encased food items.

We would love to have...

- Beans
- Cereal
- Dry milk
- Fruit (canned)
- Macaroni & cheese
- Pasta
- **Peanut butter***
- Ramen noodles
- Rice
- Soup
- Tomato sauce
- **Tuna fish***
- Vegetables (canned)

We also accept toiletries, including:

- Baby wipes
- Band-aids
- Deodorant/anti-perspirant
- Diapers
- Floss
- Moisturizer
- Q-tips
- Razors
- Sanitary napkins
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Tampons
- Tissues
- Toilet paper
- Toothpaste

* Especially this – lots of protein!