

Mason-Rice PTO Shoes & Home Goods Drive!



Please help us to collect new and gently used SHOES and HOME GOODS for those in need, now through 10/18. In addition, sign up your child below to join the Mason-Rice Green Team after school on 10/18 to sort and deliver donated home goods to a local non-profit.

What can I donate?

Shoes: New and gently used (but in great condition, clean, non-stinky) shoes and boots in child and small-adult sizes in a bag marked with the size of the shoes. Mason-Rice parent Martha Bixby has worked closely with the Brockton Workers Alliance, who are supporting a large number of families who recently immigrated from Haiti and Central America to Brockton, and their kids need shoes!

Home Goods: Like-new bedding (sheets and blankets) and towels (dish towels, hand towels, wash cloths, bath towels, bath mats). Mason-Rice Green Team is partnering with Welcome Home, a local non-profit in Newton Centre, that collects and redistributes like-new household items to dozens of people in need each month. Donations are tax-deductible.

When and where to drop off items:

Between now and 10/18, you may drop off items in a bag marked with a brief description of the items and sizes to 51 Hyde Street, Newton Highlands or 31 Crescent Avenue, Newton Centre.

We will also be doing a collection at Mason-Rice on the following dates/times:

- **Thursday, 10/7** 4-7pm, during the "First Thursdays" Fall Food Truck event (there will be a labeled collection box at Mason-Rice parking lot)
- **Monday, 10/18** 2:50-3pm (there will be a sign near the picnic table at Mason-Rice playground)

How can my children and I do more to help?

SIGN UP HERE to join the Mason-Rice Green Team after school to sort and deliver the donated bedding and towels to Welcome Home in Newton Centre. We will meet with the organization's volunteers, learn about their work and get a tour of their space. Students in all grades are welcome (K-2 students must join with a parent/guardian; Gr. 3-5 students can join us directly following dismissal).

Questions? Contact Martha Bixby (mjh.bixby@gmail.com) or Wendy Sheu (wendy.sheu@gmail.com).

Have other like-new household items to donate or want to know more about Welcome Home? Visit <http://www.welcomehomemass.org>. If you or someone you know is in need of home goods, please [place a request](#) directly with Welcome Home.