

# WOMEN EVERYWHERE

2021 VIRTUAL SERVICE PROJECT MONTH



“W.E.” HOPE THIS EMAIL FINDS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY HEALTHY AND SAFE. WHILE THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC CONTINUES TO LIMIT OUR ABILITY TO SERVE OTHERS IN PERSON, WOMEN EVERYWHERE: PARTNERS IN SERVICE (W.E.) WILL NOT LET THAT STOP US FROM FULFILLING OUR MISSION OF CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN NEED THROUGH EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICE. W.E. ARE EXCITED TO SHARE THAT, FOR 2021 OUR ANNUAL SERVICE PROJECT MONTH IS VIRTUAL---ONLINE! DURING THIS TRYING TIME, SHELTERS, SAFE HOUSES, AND OTHER NON-FOR-PROFITS PROVIDING ESSENTIAL SERVICES TO WOMEN AND CHILDREN ARE EXPERIENCING AN INCREASED DEMAND AND A SHORTAGE OF SUPPLIES.

EVERY TUESDAY IN JULY, 2021, W.E. WILL BE HIGHLIGHTING THREE AGENCIES THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY THAT NEED YOUR SUPPORT, NOW MORE THAN EVER. EACH AGENCY HAS PROVIDED US WITH A UNIQUE WAY TO VIRTUALLY SUPPORT THEIR SERVICES INCLUDING ONLINE GIVING, AMAZON WISH LISTS, AND VIRTUAL PROJECT SUPPORT. THIS WEEK, PLEASE SHARE AND PROMOTE THE DESIGNATED AGENCIES: DIGS WITH DIGNITY, GIRLFORWARD & SARAH’S CIRCLE!

## WEEK OF JULY 27, 2021:

### WOMEN EVERYWHERE VIRTUAL SERVICE PROJECTS

# GIVE TO DIGS WITH DIGNITY

At Digs with Dignity, our mission is to elevate the lives of those exiting homelessness by providing them with all the home furnishings that make a comfortable, dignified home, while also keeping furniture and other home goods out of landfills. As a 501(c)(3), Digs with Dignity partners with Chicago-based social service agencies to identify those in need and utilizes a warehouse of donated and refurbished furniture and home goods to outfit homes. We work with a variety of individuals and families that may include domestic abuse victims, veterans, those who have experienced a sudden job loss or those dealing with extreme health situations.

#### **How it works:**

We collect gently used home furnishings from the community and store them in our warehouse. We then work with Chicago-based social workers to identify a family transitioning out of homelessness, connect with the family, learn their story, and tell them ours. We learn what colors they like, what interests the kids have and what would make their space feel like a home.

Our designers and volunteers then design the space from top to bottom. Every shelf will have books and knick-knacks, every bed will be made, every child will have toys that meet their individual interests, and every home will reflect a style that will inspire the family each day.

Then, with the help of movers and volunteers, we load up a moving truck and get to work- welcoming our family into their newly furnished home in a matter of hours.

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### Amazon Wishlist Link:

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/25UKPZWRD0M63?ref=cm\\_sw\\_em\\_r\\_un\\_un\\_lynySJX7u4Cfu](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/25UKPZWRD0M63?ref=cm_sw_em_r_un_un_lynySJX7u4Cfu)

### Link to volunteer:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040444ada82aa0f49-digs>

### Link to donate furniture/home goods:

<http://digswithdignity.org/schedule-pickup/>

### Link to donate \$:

<http://digswithdignity.org/donate-money/>

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**Social Media Links:** @digswithdignity

# GIVE TO SARAH'S CIRCLE

Sarah's Circle is a non-profit organization with a mission of serving women who are homeless or in need of a safe space. Located in Chicago's Uptown Community, Sarah's Circle has provided support for thousands of women since 1979. Today Sarah's Circle has a Daytime Support Center open to any woman in need, a 50-bed interim housing (shelter) program for women who are currently homeless, and permanent supportive housing for women who have a disabling condition and have been chronically homeless. Across programs Sarah's Circle staff use best practices and provide case management and supportive counseling to help women achieve their goals. Learn more at <https://www.sarahs-circle.org/>

Sarah's Circle MyRegistry List:

<https://www.myregistry.com/organization/sarah-s-circle-chicago-il/2445734/giftlist>

Sarah's Circle Meal Sharing Info:

Sack Lunch

<https://sarahs-circle.org/wp-content/uploads/Sack-Lunch-Providers-COVID-.pdf>

Meal Service

[https://sarahs-circle.org/wp-content/uploads/COVID-Meal-Service-Description-1-1.pdf?blm\\_aid=154440708](https://sarahs-circle.org/wp-content/uploads/COVID-Meal-Service-Description-1-1.pdf?blm_aid=154440708)

Sarah's Circle in-kind donations: <https://www.sarahs-circle.org/donations/in-kind-donations.html>

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### **Website:**

[Sarah's Circle - Helping Women Rebuild Their Lives in Chicago, Illinois \(sarahs-circle.org\)](http://sarahs-circle.org)

### **Social Media Links:**

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Sarahs-Circle/43552967336>

[https://www.instagram.com/sarahs\\_circle\\_chicago/](https://www.instagram.com/sarahs_circle_chicago/)

[http://twitter.com/Sarahs\\_Circle](http://twitter.com/Sarahs_Circle)

# GIVE TO GIRLFORWARD

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The last few months have presented unanticipated challenges and obstacles. Through it all, we have seen glimmers of hope and resiliency in our GirlForward community and beyond.

As we learn of the increasing disparities that come with remote learning, we are even more committed and dedicated to our mission of providing girls with tutoring services, mentors, and resources to ensure they thrive academically and stay on the path to a bright future. In a time when nothing seems “normal,” it is truly meaningful to know that what we do makes a difference and will continue to do so, even in seemingly uncharted waters.

Our tutoring and mentoring continue to be virtual, and we will revisit this when guidance from public health officials changes. In addition to this programming, we have also included a weekly community hour, in which GirlForward girls, friends, and staff can meet virtually to engage in fun group activities, like yoga, mindfulness exercises, and dance. We are also applying for funds that can help provide girls and their families with needed resources and supplies, like increased financial assistance and face masks.

As always, a gift to GirlForward will go so far in supporting our cause and our mission. If you or someone you know is able, we would be honored to have you support our cause. Join our campaign on our Facebook and Instagram pages!

We are grateful to all of you for your unwavering support. As we continue on this journey, we ask you to stay close to us and to stay in touch. You may always reach out to me directly if you have ideas, stories, or just want to say hi! As we keep our bonds tight and come together as the GirlForward family, I have hope that we will come out of this stronger, with a renewed faith in each other and appreciation for those around us.

This year to support our GirlForward Community, we are seeking personalized written notes or cards for each graduate. We would love to have you all write congratulatory letters to our seniors! All letters can be mailed to GirlForward--- PO Box 607516, Chicago, IL 60660. We will provide the graduates names upon request.

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Here are links to our current wishlists at [Amazon](#) and [Target](#). We are also in need of 4 or 5 large 8'x10' or larger area rugs that are new or gently used!

We are also interested in having folks volunteer in person if they are interested. We have a volunteer day on **July 17th, 2021 from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**. At the event we will be cleaning the program center, painting, organizing and getting the center set and ready for the school year! If you are interested in volunteering on this day please email [operations@girlforward.org](mailto:operations@girlforward.org) with the subject "**ATTN Miranda Painting Day**".

We look forward to working with you at the in-person volunteer work project.

Check out opportunities here: [Volunteer — GirlForward](#)

With gratitude,

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