

DIY Volunteer Opportunity

DROP OFF DATES:

Tuesday, April 18, 2023 11am – 2pm

Friday, April 28, 2023 11am – 2pm

Wednesday, May 10, 2023 11am – 2pm



Personal Care Kits

Organizational Beneficiary: Richmond Behavioral Health Authority

IMPACT: RBHA serves nearly 13,000 individuals – children and adults – every year. Approximately 30% of those we serve have no Medicaid, insurance, or means to pay for services. We do not turn people away based on their inability to pay. Many of those we serve do not have the financial resources to acquire basic items to maintain minimal, personal hygiene. The Personal Care Kits will provide individuals with these needed items.

The DIY Personal Care Kits will be distributed to women and men receiving services across programs at RBHA.

The mission of Richmond Behavioral Health is to promote health, wellness, and recovery for the individuals and communities we serve. We envision an inclusive, healthy community where individuals are inspired to reach their highest potential.

Supplies

- **5 one gallon ziploc bags**
- **5 Notecards – handmade**
- **deodorant**
- **white socks**
- **disposable razors**
- **toothpaste**
- **tooth brushes**
- **bar soap**
- **wash cloth**
- **mouthwash - without alcohol**
- **unscented lotion**

Step One:

- **Purchase and/or collect your supplies.** Items may be travel-size. We ask DIY volunteers to donate a **minimum of 5 Hygiene Kits**. Contributions over the minimum amount are welcomed, but we will not be able to document more than 3 service hours for any DIY project.

Step Two:

- **Place one of each item in each of the 5 ziploc bags.**
- Write an encouraging message on each notecard to include in the bags.

Step Three:

- Drop off your project at RBHA on any of the following dates/times:

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- We are located at **107 S. 5th Street, Richmond, VA 23219**. We will be set up outside to receive donations. In case of inclement weather, we will be set up just inside the garage which is located beside the main entrance.
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Step Four:

- Sharing your time and resources is a great gift to others. We hope that through your giving, you receive something beneficial in return – the feeling of doing good for someone in need and knowing you have had a direct, positive impact in someone’s life. Talking through the purpose of the project as you complete it is a great way for all involved to gain a connection to those being served through your generosity. Here are some questions to help guide conversation:
 - How will this project help someone in need?
 - What do we know about the importance of building a community made to help each other?
 - Did our feelings about the recipients of this project change as we completed the project?
 - What worked well about this project?
 - What *else* can we do now? Are there other ways we can help?

Step Five:

- Like DIY projects? Follow us on Facebook to stay connected. We offer DIY Volunteer Opportunities in the Spring and the Fall each year. Dates are posted as soon as they are set. www.facebook.com/rbhfrva/
- Share your experience on your Facebook or Instagram page and tag us @rbhfrva. We love sharing the work of our volunteers!
- Want to learn more about **Richmond Behavioral Health** and the work we do in the community? Please visit www.rbha.org and join our mailing list to receive updates and information on more ways to be involved.

While it’s not required to sign up on the site below to participate, it does help us plan and track volunteers and volunteer hours.

Hands On Greater Richmond link to sign up:

<https://www.handsonrva.org/opportunity/a0C5c00000MqinEEAR/diy-volunteer-opportunity-personal-care-kits-spring-2023>