

Harvest Drive Toiletry Campaign

Help Harvest Drive provide personal-hygiene essentials to South Florida students and families. Schools, companies, community partners, and individuals can participate by assembling toiletry bags or raising funds to purchase supplies.

Goal & Process:

- Pack large ziplock bags (1 gallon to 3 gallon-size) with toiletry items for families. Please include **shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, lotion, body wash, and/or soap**.
- Individuals can purchase and pack bags to drop off at a central location one week before a bag distribution date.
- Groups may also raise funds and place a bulk order through Walmart.com or the Dollar Store. The items can be shipped to one location, where a small group of volunteers can pack the bags.
- Funds ideally could be collected on a school or company website or by *Venmo* or *Zelle*. This would allow donors to contribute any amount, as little as $1 or as much as they would like. This enables a broad group of individuals to participate even if they cannot go to the store or bring their collections to a central location.
- Each collection site should then coordinate the toiletry delivery with Holly Stracquadaine at holly@harvestdriveflorida.com or 954-465-0042. This will facilitate scheduling collections and meeting deadlines for adding to food bags by the distribution dates.

Why this matters:

- Many food distributions throughout the county and at local schools provide essential groceries, but few also include toiletry and personal-hygiene items.
- Access to basic hygiene supplies supports personal dignity, confidence, and a positive self-image.
- In South Florida's heat and humidity, going without soap, shampoo, deodorant, or toothpaste can make an already difficult situation even harder for students and families.

This project is simple, safe, and highly impactful. By assembling toiletry bags or contributing funds, you can help students and families receive essentials that support health, comfort, and dignity. The Harvest Drive Team invites you and your community to take part.