

How Can I Help? *Donations*

These organizations accept donations all year long, except as noted. Always call first to verify specific needs and requirements.

AIDS Healthcare Foundation – Out of the Closet

1600 University Ave. Berkeley 94703
510-841-2088 / 877-274-2548 (pick up) outofthecloset.org
Non-profit chain of thrift stores whose revenues provide medical care for patients with HIV/AIDS.
Accepts furniture and large items (with arrangement), kitchenware, electronics, appliances, clothing, tools, books, CDs and records, artwork, musical instruments and more.

Alameda County Community Food Bank

7900 Edgewater Dr. Oakland 94621
510-635-3663 www.accfb.org
Disperses surplus/donated food to local agencies.
Accepts donations of packaged food (especially high protein food), canned goods (vegetables, fruits, meat and fish), peanut butter, low-sugar cereals, bread, and produce.

Bananas

5232 Claremont Ave. Oakland 94618
510-658-7353 www.bananasinc.org
Resource and referral center on children, childcare information, and childcare workers.
Accepts donations of good, clean children's clothing, toys and baby equipment, and more. Vehicle donation program.

Berkeley Food and Housing Project

1901 Fairview St. Berkeley, Ca. 94703
510-318-6633 www.bfhp.org
Serves hot meals and operates shelters.
Donations accepted of protein and fruit bars, emergency rain ponchos, personal care and household items, clothing, blankets and sheets, and gift cards.

Berkeley Food Pantry

1600 Sacramento St. Berkeley 94702
510-525-2280 <http://berkeleyfoodpantry.org>
Provides food supplies to meet the emergency needs of individuals in need who live in Berkeley or Albany.
Accepts donations of food and toiletries by signup and pre-arranged pickup.

Berkeley Humane - Pet Food Pantry

2700 Ninth St. Berkeley 94710
510-845-7735 ex. 202
www.berkeleyhumane.org/pet-food-pantry
Provides free pet food to low-income pet guardians in Alameda and Contra Costa counties.
Accepts donations of unopened dry or wet dog and cat food.

Berkeley Unified School District – Visual and Performing Arts

Willard Middle School
2425 Stuart St. Room D 19C Berkeley 94705
510-644-8831 www.berkeleyschools.net
Distributes instruments to students in BUSD music programs.
Accepts clean, playable musical instruments in good condition.

A Better Way Foster Family and Adoption Program

3200 Adeline St. Berkeley 94703
510-601-0203 www.abetterwayinc.org
Foster family and adoption program for children from birth to 18 (including pregnant teenagers and mothers with children).
Accepts clothes for babies and children; suitcases and duffel bags; computer equipment; and toys.

Bonita House

Office 6333 Telegraph Ave. Suite 102 Oakland 94609
510-923-1099 www.bonitahouse.org
Provides transitional living for people recovering from mental illness and chemical dependency.
Accepts food, household items, and toiletries.

Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency (BOSS)

1918 University Ave, #2A Berkeley, CA 94704
510-649-1930 www.self-sufficiency.org
Support and services for people who are homeless, have disabilities, or have very low incomes in Berkeley, Oakland, and Hayward.
Accepts donations of new/clean sleeping bags and clean blankets; clean men's clothes/shoes, socks; warm clothes; towels, linens and personal care items.

Berkeley Drop-in Center

3234 Adeline St. Berkeley 94703
510-653-3808
Mental health drop-in center.
Accepts clothes; food for cold breakfasts and snacks; blankets, towels, sleeping bags; backpacks; furniture; kitchen items; personal care items; toys.

Computer & Technology Resource Center

620 Page St. Berkeley 94710
415-883-1428 www.ewastecollective.org
Recycles, repairs, and redistributes computers to non-profits, libraries, schools, and individuals with low incomes.
Accepts used computers, electronic equipment, and small appliances.



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East Bay Depot for Creative Reuse

4695 Telegraph Ave. Oakland 94609
510-547-6470 www.creativereuse.org
Non-profit that sells reusable discarded goods as low-cost supplies for art, education, and social services.
Accepts craft materials, office supplies, paper products, fabric, paper bags, CD/DVD cases, yarn, photos, art, posters, jewelry, etc.

Jewish Family and Community Services East Bay

2484 Shattuck Ave. Suite 210 Berkeley 94704
510-704-7475 www.jfcs-eastbay.org
Provides mental health and social services.
Accepts furniture, baby items, school supplies, and small household items.

Night on the Streets – Catholic Worker

PO Box 13468 Berkeley 94712
510-684-1892 sites.google.com/site/berkeleycatholicworker
Non-profit volunteer group aids people who are homeless or poor.
Accepts clean blankets, sleeping bags, and sheets (especially flat or queen sized).

Operation Dignity, Inc.

3850 San Pablo Avenue, Suite 102, Emeryville, CA 94608
800-686-9036 www.operationdignity.org
Transitional housing program for homeless veterans.
Accepts donations of blankets, linens, sleeping bags, and nonperishable food items.

Prisoners Literature Project

Grassroots House 2022 Blake St. Berkeley 94704
510-749-4160 www.prisonersliteratureproject.com
Provides free books to prisoners on literary or educational topics.
Accepts paperback books, including textbooks, dictionaries, GED test prep, non-fiction and literature (check website for list). Also accepts stamps, packing supplies (especially large manila envelopes), and tape.

Square Meals Project

2607 Ellsworth St. #201 Berkeley 94704
510-383-0855
Provides food and clothing to people in need.
Accepts practical clothing, sleeping bags, blankets, and canned/package food.

St. Vincent de Paul Alameda County

2272 San Pablo Ave. Oakland CA 94612
510-638-7600
www.svdp-alameda.org/get-involved/contribute-merchandise.html
Non-profit chain of retail stores whose revenue supports social services programs and job training sites for the disadvantaged.
Accepts clothing, kitchen goods, furniture, sports equipment, electronics, and more. Vehicle donation program.

Telegraph Ministry Center

5316 Telegraph Ave. Oakland 94609
510-658-4457 www.telegraphcenter.com
Provides emotional support and emergency food.
Accepts clothing, food, diapers, and personal care items.
Accepts toys and gifts suitable for all ages during the holiday season.

Toys for Tots

510-205-3617 alameda-ca.toysfortots.org
Marine Corps Reserves program collects toys for area youth during the holiday season.
Accepts unwrapped toys, games, electronics, school supplies, etc. for children and youth. Call or check website for information on drop-off locations.

Wardrobe for Opportunity

570 14th St. Suite 5 Oakland 94612
510-463-4100 www.wardrobe.org
Provides professional clothing and career support to low-income workers and job searchers referred by job-training programs.
Accepts clean, undamaged, business-appropriate clothing on hangers and accessories (umbrellas, jewelry, handbags, coats, etc.), no more than five years old. Check website for full list of acceptable items and drop-off locations.

Waterside Workshops

84 Bolivar Dr. Berkeley 94710
510-644-2577 www.watersideworkshops.org
Craft workshop, bicycle repair, sewing machine repair, and sewing classes for youth job training.
Accepts bicycles and bicycle parts, woodworking tools, and office and café supplies.

Women's Daytime Drop-In Center

2218 Acton St. Berkeley 94702
510-548-2884 www.womensdropin.org
Provides support services to homeless women and their children.
Accepts donations of personal care items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, hand towels, etc.) and basic baby care items (diapers, baby food).

Youth Engagement, Advocacy and Housing (YEAH!)

Lutheran Church of the Cross
1744 University Ave. Berkeley 94703
510-704-9867 www.yeah-berkeley.org
Provides safe emergency wintertime shelter and support services for youth 18-24 and their pets.
Accepts donations of socks, new underwear, washable twin-sized blankets, toiletries, umbrellas, and ponchos.



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