



CLASSIC

Dignity Bag for the Unhoused [Classic]

9 STEPS

About Project Helping

Kynd Kits are a program of Project Helping, a mental wellness nonprofit. Our mission is to make it ridiculously easy to volunteer because doing good is good for your mental wellness!

[Learn More at ProjectHelping.org](https://ProjectHelping.org)

When You Build a Kynd Kit - The Cycle of Impact



Tips for Building Your Kit

Helpful Tip for Building Your Kynd Kit

- Avoid politics and religion entirely.
- Use appropriate humor.
- Can't think of what to write, draw a picture!
- Use words of affirmation!
- Place a piece of paper in any canvas bag before drawing on the outside. This way, the marker will not bleed through the other side of the bag.
- Please keep your designs gender-neutral, inclusive, and age-appropriate.

Spanish Translation Options



English	Spanish
Be proud of yourself	Siéntete orgulloso/a de ti mismo/a
Thinking of you	Pensando en ti
Sending love	Mandándote amor
You got this!	¡Tú puedes!
You are stronger than you seem, braver than you believe, and smarter than you think.	Eres más fuerte de lo que pareces, más valiente de lo que crees y más inteligente de lo que piensas.
This time will pass and good things are coming your way.	Deberías sentirte orgulloso/a.
Keep moving forward and fighting for that future!	El próximo capítulo de tu vida será mucho mejor.
Thinking of you during this time and sending warm, supportive thoughts your way.	Estaré pensando en ti durante este tiempo y te mando pensamientos cálidos y de apoyo.
Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can.	Empieza donde estás ahora. Usa lo que ya tienes. Haz lo que puedas hacer.
I know this won't be easy, but I also know you've got what it takes to get through it.	Sé que no va a ser fácil, pero también sé que tienes lo necesario para poder pasar esto.

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Before You Build

About the Recipient

There are an estimated 582,462 people in the United States experiencing homelessness on a given night, according to the most recent national point-in-time estimate. This represents a rate of approximately 18 people experiencing homelessness per 10,000 people in the general population.

The most basic needs can make a world of difference to those experiencing homelessness. By making a dignity bag you can impact someone with a meaningful, thoughtful action.

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Decorate the Bag

Decorate the kraft bag(s). This is what the final kit is distributed in, so try to make this fun and colorful for the recipient to open.

Please note: we are currently transitioning from plastic ziplock bags to kraft bags. Some kits may still include the plastic bag for you to decorate while we complete this transition.



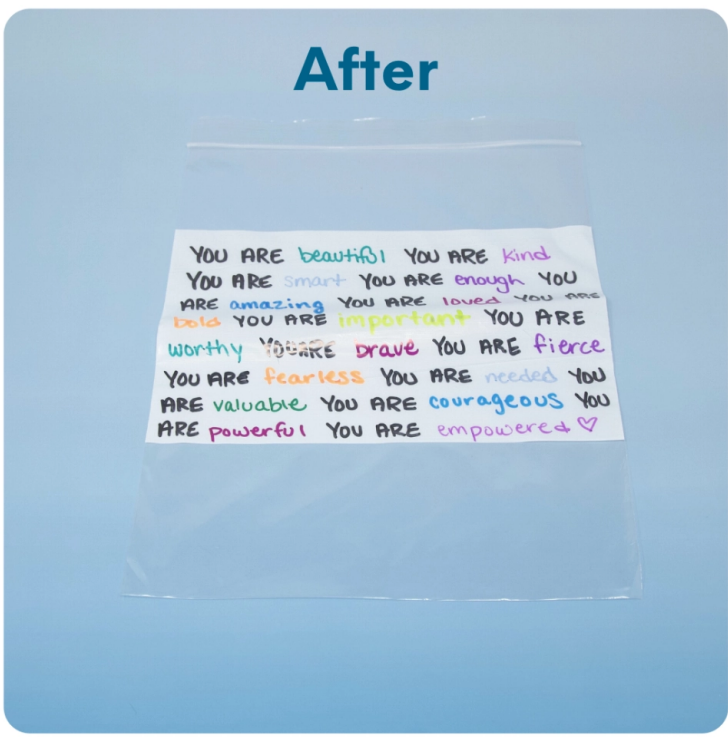
After



Before



After



YOU ARE beautiful YOU ARE kind
YOU ARE smart YOU ARE enough YOU
ARE amazing YOU ARE loved YOU ARE
bold YOU ARE important YOU ARE
worthy YOU ARE brave YOU ARE fierce
YOU ARE fearless YOU ARE needed YOU
ARE valuable YOU ARE courageous YOU
ARE powerful YOU ARE empowered ♡

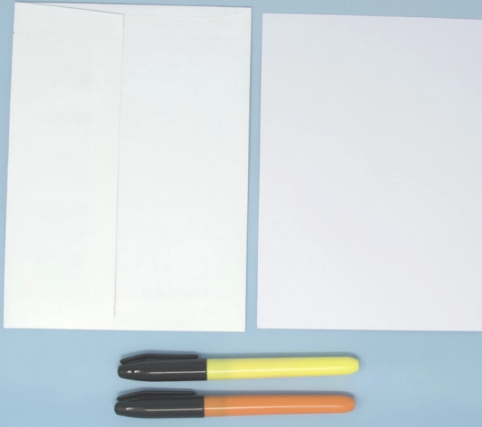
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Write a Note to the Recipient and Decorate the Envelope

Write a card and decorate the envelope using the enclosed materials. Express your encouragement and include a hopeful message.

Please ensure your message is **age-appropriate** and **avoids references to religion or politics**.

Before



After



Decorate the Canvas Bag

Use the permanent markers to decorate the canvas bag.

Tip: Place a piece of paper in the bag before decorating to prevent the markers from bleeding through.



After



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Pack Your Dignity Bag Kit

Pack all of the materials into the decorated canvas bag and plastic bag

- Please only include items that are UNOPENED and UNUSED
- Add any optional items you would like.

Optional Items to Add

- Socks

- Sanitary items
- Hygiene items
- Hand Warmers
- Winter Hat/Mittens
- Protein-rich snacks

Items not to include:

- Perishable items
- Sharp objects
- Nut food products
- Religious or political items
- Alcohol

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Register My Kit (Optional)

Register your kit

To register and track your kits, you must visit the online instructions.

Registering your kit is optional.

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Thank You!

When you build a Kynd Kit, you create layers of impact for yourself and the community. We appreciate your time and your support of our mission.

Cheers,

The Project Helping team