

Serving the needy souls
of the world while we
increase empathy and
decrease apathy in our
student members
training to become
servant-leaders

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Dear FRMS families,

SOS is so thankful for your support so far this school year. With your financial assistance and volunteering, we created and delivered complete Thanksgiving meals feed to well over 100 families (150+ meal kits) on Thanksgiving. Thank you!! Facts about the homeless in the US from a 2009 study:

- Approx. 33% of homeless males in the U.S. are veterans.
- Veterans are twice as likely as other Americans to become chronically homeless.
- Veterans represent 11% of the adult civilian population, but 26% of the homeless

Homeless and needy people, many of which served our country, live in urban areas such as Pittsburgh and need our help staying warm this winter. SOS is proud to present info on our annual "Help the Homeless" Clothing Drive. **Annually, the SOS Homeless Clothing Drive provides a coat, pair of boots, and multiple items for all of the over 100 homeless souls that visited our events last Christmas Eve.** SOS will be collecting between first Tuesday after Thanksgiving and the next to last day of school before Winter Break the following warm weather gear **FOR MALE OR FEMALE:**

- New & gently used **ADULT size** tassel caps
- New & gently used **ADULT size** winter gloves (**no thin designer gloves**)
- New & gently used **ADULT size** winter coats (**no thin** designer or **no jean jackets**)
- New & gently used **ADULT size** thermal underwear
- New & gently used **ADULT size** work boots or military boots (**no designer boots**)
- New & gently **ADULT size** socks (**ONLY** thermal socks and calf-high athletic socks)

Bring your donations to school ASAP and place on table near our SOS logo in main hall of school.

PLEASE DO NOT WRAP THESE GIFT DONATIONS, SOS WILL ORGANIZE DONATIONS TO GIVE AWAY AT EVENT

SOS will take 2-4 buses (1-2 buses to Light of Life Mission and 1-2 buses to Shepherd's Heart Shelter) and two trucks (1 to each shelter) full of gifts on the weekday on or closest to Christmas Eve morning to deliver the gifts to the homeless patrons of the shelters. Please visit the SOS website at www.servingothersouls.org. Under "help" button on main pagesection, click [signup.com](http://www.signup.com/group/1254315732083) link or type in this url to access <http://www.signup.com/group/1254315732083>. At this volunteer sign-up website, individuals can sign up to volunteer to organize clothing donation or sign up for open seats on the bus(es) to Christmas Eve trip. Each SOS member can bring 1 or 2 friends (SOS or non-SOS members) or family members. First come first serve. When you sign up with your name, please click the number of seats (up to 3 including yourself) you need to reserve. Once again, **only SOS members** can invite non-SOS members.