



HELP OUR FAMILIES BUILD BACK FROM HOMELESSNESS

Dozens of times each year, families at [Operation Breakthrough](#) in Kansas City, Mo., find themselves without a place to live — the result of financial difficulty, domestic violence, a house fire or flood, or a severe rodent or insect infestation. Regardless of the cause, building back is hard, especially for families living near or below the poverty line.

Project Housewarming, a new program at Operation Breakthrough, will help families get back on their feet by providing an array of home essentials, such as pots and pans, dishes, silverware, towels, shower curtains, vacuums and more. It will help them be functional in their new house or apartment right away — able to cook a meal for the family, give their kids a bath and clean their home.

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- 1 in 5 of the children we serve is homeless
 - 70% of our families live on less than \$12,000 annually
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How it works

All items are purchased new through a [registry](#) set up at Target for Project Housewarming. Items purchased through the registry will be shipped directly to Operation Breakthrough. The cost of items on the registry ranges from just a few dollars for can openers, towels and trash cans to \$65 for vacuums. Most items are in the range of \$5 to \$15. You also can purchase a Target gift card for Project Housewarming so we can buy what's needed most at the time or certain items that need to be purchased in a store rather than online.

The program is run by Operation Breakthrough volunteers, and 100% of the donations go to our families. Also, the value of your donated items is tax deductible — just save your receipts and remember to ask us for a donation acknowledgment form.

Families in need of support simply need to contact a member of Operation Breakthrough's social work team. A team member will assess each family's needs, gather the items from our inventory of donated items, and deliver everything straight to the family's new home. This program is available to families whose children are enrolled in programs/services at Operation Breakthrough.

How you can help

Visit the Target registry to find something you'd like to give to a family that's rebuilding. Questions? Contact the volunteer program leaders at project.housewarmingkc@gmail.com.

REGISTRY LINK: <https://www.target.com/gift-registry/gift/projecthousewarmingkc-ob>