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| You can make a difference  Make ending homelessness  a shared goal.  Community Shelter Board receives support from the City of Columbus, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, the United Way of Central Ohio, The Columbus Foundation, Nationwide Foundation, American Electric Power Foundation, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the State of Ohio, and many other public and private investors. | linen drive  *Thousands of area residents will arrive at the doorstep of emergency shelters this year, forced from their homes by deepening poverty. You can help our struggling neighbors rebuild their lives by collecting linens for a new shelter.*  Community Shelter Board is making a strong collective impact, but our quality programs are stretched to the limit and beyond by a rapidly growing wave of need. Over the last three years, CSB’s shelters have served 79% more families and 16% more single men and women.  Our community’s only 50-unit family shelter has been over capacity for several years, recently serving more than 140 families a night. In response to this unprecedented need, a second family shelter is set to open on August 26. The Van Buren family shelter will serve up to 85 families nightly.  By collecting the items below, you can help ensure the well-being of our most vulnerable neighbors – our brothers and sisters, moms and dads with kids – and help us to end homelessness and rebuild lives.  *New or gently used items* needed before the new family shelter opens   * 350 twin sized sheets * 400 bath towels * 350 wash cloths * 350 pillow cases * 200 blankets * 150 baby blankets   The time is now  *Open your heart to people who never imagined they would need your help.* Collect these ***new or gently used items*** and drop them off at your local YMCA branch between August 15-19.  Visit [www.csb.org](http://www.csb.org) to learn about volunteer opportunities at the new shelter.  Questions?  Contact Charity Eilerman at 614.715.2545 or [ceilerman@csb.org](mailto:ceilerman@csb.org). |