



# Supporting the Homeless

## Building communities (Leicester)

In the diocese of Leicester Mothers' Union members support the homeless through practical help. Items usually include toiletries for Mother and Baby bags and clothes given to families in need, as well as anything for Homemaker Packs (eg linen, utensils) for people moving out of hostels into permanent accommodation.



Paperbacks, children's books, garments for children and knitted items such as hats, balaclavas, gloves, mittens and jumpers are also requested for use in homeless hostels and women's refuges.

Items are usually collected at a members' address or brought to Mothers' Union council meetings. Monetary donations can also be made by individuals, branches or churches via the diocesan Mothers' Union Office.

For general guidelines about setting up and developing outreach initiatives, go to the members' section of the Mothers' Union website [www.mothersunion.org](http://www.mothersunion.org)