

## PROJECT PLAN

### Supply and Demand Re-Imagined: Making a Difference with Your Disposables

It all starts with YOU! You have a big heart and a desire to help! You can make a difference to families in need by collecting items you normally discard or leave behind.

#### **GETTING STARTED:**

Below are some sample ideas you can try. These are the things I collect, but there are so many others. If you have other ideas, please send them to us and we will include on our website.

#### ***What to collect?***

I am amazed how many things have value. Once you identify a need, you will determine what items you can collect. Some items are given directly to people in need, others are sold and the proceeds are put to good use.

Collection? You can collect items around your home, at your work, church or any other group setting.

How to donate? With a few simple conversations, you will be able to uncover organizations/people who would benefit from your participation in the success of their programs.

Value: Your efforts will connect people with the items they need to most.

#### ***Individual-Sized Sundries:***

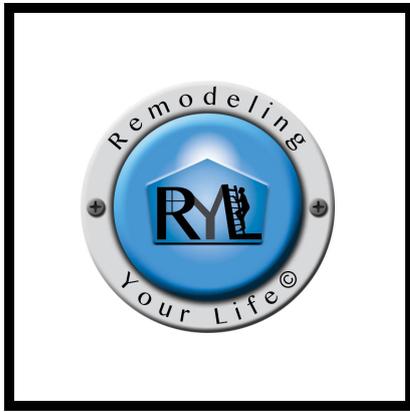
Collection? Whenever I travel, I collect the extra soaps, shampoos, coffees, creams and other sundries that I don't use.

How to donate?

*Food Pantry* - At the Food Pantry, health and beauty aids are like gold! Pantries do not get many donations of types of items - especially not hotel quality.

*Veterans Organizations* - My husband donated hotel sundries at a course he attended. The collections went to homeless veterans.

Value: Imagine a teenager who has very little, but once in a while they get a high end hair product to use. It makes me smile.



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#### ***Box Tops for Education:***

Collection? Food packaging often includes a small square "Box Tops for Education" label. For years, I would clip them and send them to my children's elementary school.

How to Donate? Now that my kids are no longer in elementary school, I give them to my niece who is an elementary school teacher. If you don't have a teacher in your circle, you can just drop them off at your local school.

Value: These are used to buy classroom supplies. Many school budgets have been cut, and the money collected from Box Tops helps bridge the gap, so students can still benefit from resources and supplies.

#### ***Can Flip Tops:***

Collection? If you wiggle the flip top from a can and save them, they can be donated to organizations who sell them by the pound.

How to Donate? Shriners and Ronald McDonald House both collect these and then sell them. The proceeds go to help children and others in need.

Value: The metal is sold at the going rate per pound and the proceeds buys critical items, such as wheelchairs.

***Do you have other ideas?  
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