



Catholic Charities

Diocese of Youngstown

Providing Help. Creating Hope.

2025/2026

First Step to Service Program

GRADES – ALL

SERVICE PROJECT

The Jubilee of the Poor, observed on November 16, 2025, is a time for the Catholic community to come together in faith, compassion, and service. It is a moment to lift up those who may be struggling by sharing resources, offering encouragement, and showing the love of Christ in action. This celebration reminds us that even small acts of kindness can make a big difference, and together we can bring hope and dignity to our neighbors.

This service project is optional, but deeply appreciated by those in need—and a meaningful way to embody the Jubilee spirit. By filling hygiene kits with personal care essentials, you are providing comfort and a tangible reminder that someone cares.

Here's what you need to know:

- A detailed shopping list is provided based on the items most often requested at our agencies.
- All hygiene items should be placed in a gallon-sized Ziploc bag (or larger). *(Please note: the Ziploc bags are not provided.)*
- Completed kits should be returned to your classroom for collection.
- **Return Deadline** - We request completed kits be delivered to Catholic Charities by **November 5, 2025**. Call or email to discuss pick-up arrangements if needed.



STUDENT
NAME: _____

GRADE: _____

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If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Lucarelli
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Serving in Faith,
Walking in Love.

October 2025:

Honoring the Dignity
of All Life.

"Respect Life"

HYGIENE KIT SHOPPING LIST

Each hygiene kit should include the following items, packed/sealed in a one-gallon size Ziploc bag:

- ☐ • Travel-size shampoo and conditioner
- ☐ • Travel-size body wash or (1) individually wrapped bar of soap
- ☐ • Deodorant/Antiperspirant
- ☐ • Comb or small brush
- ☐ • Disposable razor
- ☐ • Pack of tissues
- ☐ • Hand sanitizer (travel-size)
- ☐ • Hand lotion/moisturizer
- ☐ • Feminine hygiene products (pads or tampons)
- ☐ • Nail clippers/nail kit
- ☐ • Lip balm/Chapstick

The contents of each hygiene kit may have a retail value of approximately \$20–\$25—but to someone in crisis, the dignity, comfort, and care it provides is truly immeasurable.

Please return this form inside your completed bag. If you missed an item, leave us a note above!

