

Kaleidoscope Sock Drive: Sock it to Homelessness



After learning about human rights and the issue of homelessness, Mrs. Kolonoski's 8th grade Kaleidoscope class has joined forces with an organization called "Sock it to Homelessness." This family-run organization was started by two teenage boys who were inspired to collect socks for the homeless after reading about a California man who donates socks to the homeless every week. "Sock it to Homelessness" donates socks to shelters and human service organizations in New York and New Jersey. They accept only sock donations.

You might ask yourself, why only socks? Socks are one of the most requested things among the homeless population. Many homeless people have to walk many miles every day with all of their belongings and their socks wear down very quickly. Shelters cannot accept used socks, even if they are in good condition.

Most of us live our lives with all that we need. Just imagine not having a necessity like socks; we sometimes overlook them and take them for granted. Once you do not have them it is a whole different story. Think of walking around all day in socks that are worn out with holes in them. Think of how the homeless feel not having something so small but comforting.

You can help us make a difference two feet at a time. Bring **NEW** socks to your homeroom during March 5th to the 16th. Men's black crew socks are the best, but any **NEW** socks will be accepted. We encourage you to check out the "Sock It To Homelessness" website at www.collectsocks.org. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mrs. Ellen Kolonoski via email at ekolonos@krhs.net.

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