



There is an on-going need among many reentrants for assistance with obtaining basic hygiene products and essential supplies immediately upon their release back into the community. The Backpack Program aims to give a new backpack filled with needed supplies to reentrants releasing to Anchorage that have little to no resources. The goal of the Backpack Program is to distribute at least 100 backpacks to individuals that are working with the Coalition Case Manager over the course of the fiscal year. If enough supplies are acquired and the program can become sustainable, backpacks with essential items will be given to individuals returning to Alaska on Federal Probation and to other Coalition partners that work directly with reentrants. The Coalition has prepared a formal letter for soliciting monetary donations or supplies from potential donors.

The Coalition is seeking donations of the following items:

High Priority Items		
Backpacks	Chapstick	Spiral Notebooks
Shampoo	Socks	Keychains
Hair Conditioner	Floss	Emergency Blankets
Feminine Hygiene Products	Soap Containers	ID Holders
Wet Wipes	Water Bottles	Pocket Calendars
Deodorant	Pens	Pocket First Aid Kits

Lower Priority Items		
Toothpaste	Nail Care	Rain Ponchos
Toothbrushes	Jackets	Gloves & Hats
Brush/Comb	Pantyhose	Shirts
Soap Bars	Underwear	Pocket Folders
Shaving Kits	Bras	

Please contact the Coalition Coordinator or the Coalition Case Manager if you can assist in anyway.

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