



QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE: HOSTING A DONATION DRIVE

- Please encourage your donors to contribute GENTLY used items. This can include clothing, household items, glassware, craft items, kitchenware, toys and more.
- We do not accept any baby furniture, car seats, mattresses, tube televisions or furniture that is stained or in poor condition.
- Donation receipts for your donors may be picked up at The Bridge Thrift Store.
- Pick-up service is not available unless previously scheduled with The Bridge Thrift Store by calling 708.614.6972. Pick-up service is for very large volume donations only.
- Donations may be dropped off at The Bridge Thrift Store on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays between 10-4; and on Tuesdays/Thursdays from 10-7.



FACTS ABOUT THE BRIDGE

- We have served over 6,300 different teens from 128 Chicagoland communities.
- We have received awards at the local, state and national level for our innovative and successful teen afterschool programs.
- We have never received a dime of state or federal funding, with over \$5 million raised privately in support of our free programs since 2010.
- 89% of every dollar we raise directly supports our students (the BBB standard is 65%).
- Our programs are holistically-designed around the interests and needs of our students.
- We combat bullying on a daily basis by engaging, connecting and empowering our students in a positive and encouraging environment.
- We combat bullying by promoting a sense of belonging and wellness, providing students with a safe and welcoming environment.