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Abstract
Our group’s research project includes helping Good Shepherd Ministries, an organization that assists in the recovery and re-entry of former drug addicts, by collecting, transporting, and organizing donations to help them in their time of need. We plan to achieve this goal by reaching out to University of Dayton students. We are hoping students will donate their belongings at the end of the year that they would otherwise dispose of.

Why?
The Good Shepard Ministries previously relied on yard sales and an annual speaker series banquet to raise funds to help its tenants, but we plan to set up donation bins around campus to help collect student’s items. We believe that the University of Dayton community has plenty to offer Good Shepherd Ministries.

Items to Donate
- Gently Used Clothing and Shoes
- Furniture
- Nonperishable Food Items
- Personal Care Items
- Books, Games, and Toys
- Tools
- Money Donations

Dayton Community Facts
- 33.8% of the Dayton community lives below the national poverty line
- A child with a parent in a facility has a six times greater chance of entering the system
- Statistics have shown that their are approximately 8,019 marijuana users, 3,511 people abusing prescription drugs, and over 2,000 abuse other drugs in Dayton, Ohio
- 30-50% of all homeless men in a mid-size city have been in a similar facility

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