



Prairie View

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Prairie View Gives Back Through “Basics in a Box”

Newton, Kan. – During the holiday season more than ever individuals struggle to make ends meet, even on the most basic of needs. To lend a hand, Prairie View is sponsoring “Basics in a Box” through the month of December.

“This gives us an opportunity to bring items we have to help others in a specific way,” said Kent Dove, director of advancement at Prairie View. “With many staff participating in Basics in a Box, we will be able to help a lot of folks in a variety of ways.”

Prairie View staff, as well as anyone in the giving spirit, are encouraged to fill the boxes with personal hygiene supplies, cleaning supplies and non-perishable food.

Items collected will then be distributed to individuals served by Prairie View who are in need of necessary items during the holiday season.

“If we put our faith into action we could bring a little hope, a little food and cleaning supplies, but mainly hope, to others,” said Dove who also stresses that the basic needs of these individuals extend throughout the year, not only in December.

Boxes are conveniently located at all six Prairie View locations, including six boxes on the Newton campus decorated by adolescents in the art therapy program led by Ian Gingrich-Gaylord.

To inform Prairie View of individuals in need or for more information on the collection drive, contact Brad Schmidt in the Community Support Program at 316-284-6790.

Prairie View is a faith-based, private behavioral and mental health services provider, offering a complete range of behavioral and psychiatric services for children, adolescents,

adults and older adults, as well as consultation services to businesses and organizations. In addition to the main campus, including outpatient offices and a psychiatric hospital in Newton, Prairie View has outpatient locations in Hillsboro, Hutchinson, McPherson and Wichita.