

# TEE SHIRT TOTE BAGS



## THE SITUATION

Because disposable plastic bags are now banned in the state, food programs serving individuals and families in our community can no longer provide shopping bags to carry food home.

## THE SOLUTION

Turning your tee shirts into tote bags that can be used by food pantry shoppers to carry their food home!

## THE STEPS

### 1 MAKE YOUR PLAN

- Connect with United Way to confirm your project.
- Determine the number of bags you want to create, and the number of tee shirts you'll need.
- (If a group project) Build your team of friends and family to collect t-shirts.
- Secure the date, time and location for your project.

### 2 PROMOTE YOUR EVENT

- Post about the project on your social media channels.
- Ask work groups, community groups, faith-based or other organizations to share your project information.
- Provide organizations your date, time and location details.
- Recruit volunteers to provide tee shirts and create totes.

### 3 DO THE EVENT!

- Have tables and containers ready to store completed totes.
- Take lots of pictures and video of your project in action.
- Share your pictures and videos on social media – and send them to United Way.
- Thank those who donated or volunteered, and ask for their feedback.

**HAVE QUESTIONS? NEED HELP?**

**UNITED WAY CAN ASSIST YOU: CALL 203.757.9855**



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