

# THE FRIENDSHIP ZONE



## BACK TO SCHOOL

It's Back-to-School season and for many, emotions are running high with excitement for the new year. For the parents at Friendship Mission, this is a stressful time of year. Buying school uniforms, shoes, and school supplies is overwhelming and, for the most part, impossible when you and your children are homeless. With your help, the school-aged children at Friendship Mission can return to school with confidence. Our Back-to-School Amazon Wish List can be found [HERE](#). If you order from this list, needed uniform items and bookbags will be delivered to the shelter. You may also decide to send a check to our business address: P.O. Box 230115 Montgomery, AL 36123-0115, or make a financial contribution using our online portal found [HERE](#).



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**The 2023 Buckmasters' Expo is just around the corner and its organizers are planning for the biggest event ever since 2019.** Friendship Mission is thrilled and thankful to be a beneficiary of the canned goods that attendees bring as their entrance fee into the Expo (Forgot your canned good? \$1.00 also gets you into the Expo). The food stretches far into the following year as Friendship Mission works to feed the men, women, and children who call our shelters their temporary home and those who don't live in our shelters but depend on our public soup kitchen for their meals. The 2022 Buckmaster's Expo provided 12,000 pounds of canned food, hundreds of bottled beverages from Buffalo Rock, raised unrestricted funding, and raised awareness of homelessness in our community, and of the services provided by Friendship Mission. Mr. Jackie Bushman, you and your Buckmasters team are top-notch! Thank you for your continued support of Friendship Mission!

**Please join our team of volunteers for Buckmaster's Expo 2023** on August 18 -20. Multiple volunteers are needed on all three days onsite at the convention center in Montgomery. Multiple volunteers are needed to cover the three entrances for the entirety of the event on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Use this link to sign up [HERE](#).

