



Solidarity Sleepout

Sunday, October 8th at 5pm to Monday, October 9th at 7am

In order to simulate what it feels like to be a homeless teenager on the streets, we will be spending the night walking throughout Chatham and spending the night on the lawn at Corpus Christi. We hope to create an experience similar to that of someone who is on the streets and deprived of the basic luxuries such as a shower or a bed. Our goal is to educate and raise awareness within the Chatham community about homelessness.

Schedule:

- 5:00pm- 6:30pm- St. Paul's Church- Check in, Introductions. Speaker from Family Promise
- 6:30-7:00pm – Walk to Chatham United Methodist Church
- 7:00-7:30- Assemble sustainable lunches – One for each participant and one to donate to Bridges
- 7:30-7:45- Walk to St. Patrick Church
- 7:45-8:45- Panel discussion with the NJ Coalition Against Human Trafficking
- 8:45- 9:45- Walk to Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township
- 9:45-10:30- Poverty Simulation Activity
- 10:30-10:45- Walk to Corpus Christi
- 10:45-12 Midnight- Watch a documentary on homelessness. Wrap up with a “Call to Action”
- (Option to leave at midnight)
- 6am- 7am- Breakfast & Wrap up

What to bring:

Please note- You must carry EVERYTHING you bring with you from start to finish.

- Sleeping bag
- ONE outfit. This outfit is to be worn throughout the evening, overnight and the next morning, so participants need to make sure to dress for the weather.
- Cardboard to use as a sleeping mat- optional

Who is invited:

The event is open to all students in grades 8-12. Students in grades 6 & 7 are also welcome to join us with a parent chaperone.

Cost:

Suggested donation of \$20/ participant.

The entire cost will cover any expenses for the evening including meals and support our partner organizations:

Family Promise

Bridges Outreach

NJ Coalition Against Human Trafficking