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Activist launches winter survival drive for the homeless



Brian Dolbow is teaming up with Chase Brexton Health Care for a Winter Survival Drive for the homeless.

For the past several years, Brian Dolbow has been involved in a plethora of causes but one near and dear to his heart is fighting for the homeless. He has either coordinated or organized more than 30 events to feed the homeless in Baltimore and is currently engaged in preparing the homeless for the cold winter that lies ahead.

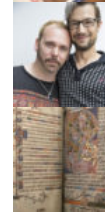
Dolbow, a security professional for Allied Universal, which is contracted by Chase Brexton Health Care in Mount Vernon, is teaming up with the health provider for a Winter Survival Drive for the homeless. The drive ends Dec. 12.

This comes amid a recent report by the Abell Foundation cited by the Baltimore Sun in which homelessness among youth in Baltimore is higher than expected. "More than 1,400 youth under age 25 were unaccompanied by a parent or guardian without a safe, stable, affordable place to

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live," according to the Sun.

In 2014, the Youth Equality Alliance, a statewide coalition that seeks to identify policy and regulatory solutions to problems faced by LGBTQ youth in Maryland, reported that as many as 40 percent of homeless youth in Baltimore identify as LGBT.

With winter just around the corner, Dolbow is seeking new or gently used blankets and coats for men, women and children of all ages.

"We also need tents, sleeping bags, hats, gloves, and anything else that can keep the homeless warm during the cold winter nights," he says.

Donations can be dropped off at Chase Brexton Health Care, 1111 N. Charles St. in Baltimore during normal business hours. Dolbow emphasizes that this drive is also geared for the surrounding counties and is pursuing other drop-off locations.

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