

MIDNIGHT RUN

Thank you so much for your interest in Midnight Run. Through Midnight Runs we are able to work directly with people who are homeless on the streets of New York City. Aside from bringing food, clothing and toiletries, we bring a sense of humanity through interaction and conversation person-to-person.

For each Run, we look for donations of appropriate clothing. Many people want to contribute and that is fantastic. Please note that not all clothing donations are useful for this purpose- it helps the sorting and distribution process to work with the right kinds of items and not to sort through items that are really not well-suited.

Midnight Run sees far more men than women, and thankfully we rarely see children. We need ten men's items for every one woman's item. Our emphasis in contributions is on casual men's clothing in wearable condition (new or worn but not ripped and torn).

Here are the most usually sought-after items-

- Warm coats- large and extra-large sizes, as even small men and women like to layer; dark colors
- Durable pants- medium to extra-large sizes; blue jeans are preferred over khakis; dress slacks are best donated to another organization such as Salvation Army or Goodwill
- Socks- unused tube socks; white or dark
- Underpants- unused Jockey style, medium to extra-large sizes; each Run can use a few pairs of women's briefs
- Sweaters, sweatshirts and long-sleeve shirts- large and extra-large sizes; dark colors preferred; hooded sweatshirts are especially useful
- T-shirts- medium through extra-large; any color
- Hats- knit and warm for winter; baseball caps for summer
- Gloves- kki gloves clipped in pairs or knit gloves rolled together; dark colors
- Shoes- sizes 9 through 12 and above; lightly worn sneakers or athletic shoes (no spikes); soft-soled shoes and work boots are preferred
- Long underwear- tops and unused bottoms; medium to extra-large sizes; any color
- Belts- medium to extra-large sizes
- Backpacks- not essential, but coveted by folks on the street

See www.midnightrun.org for more information about the organization and the work it does.