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## **Period Product Community Donation Drive**

### ***May 28<sup>th</sup> is World Menstrual Hygiene Day***

CHAMPAIGN, IL – The Champaign-Urbana Public Health District (CUPHD) is excited to announce a new campaign launching May 23, 2022, to collect a variety of period products to distribute to menstruating individuals in Champaign County. According to the Alliance for Period Supplies in the United States, one in four menstruating individuals struggle to purchase products for their period and one in four school-aged students missed class due to a lack of period supplies. Period products are a necessary part of menstruating individuals' healthcare. "Our goal for this campaign is to raise awareness of the very real effects of period poverty and to do our part as a community to help ease this burden. If our community can work together to ensure that a wide variety of products are always available to individuals, then together we can help to eliminate unnecessary stress for our community members who menstruate," said Alyx McElfresh.

An Amazon wish list has been curated for virtual donations that will be sent directly to CUPHD to distribute to clients and community members. Products can also be donated in-person at CUPHD during the week of May 23-27. There will be a drop box inside the lobby where donations may be placed.

#### Ways to donate

- **Online:** Amazon [wish list](#)
- **In person:** CUPHD; 201 W. Kenyon Rd., Champaign, IL
  - May 23-27<sup>th</sup> drop box inside CUPHD Main Lobby
  - Lobby open 8am-4:30pm; Monday-Friday

Community members who need supplies can ask for products at the check-in window next to the donation bin.

For more information on Period Poverty, please visit <https://www.c-uphd.org/period-product-drive.html>.

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