



Joe's Sleeping Bag Mission was proposed to help the homeless in our inner city of Milwaukee came to life in 2002 after Joe Herkert realized such a need after volunteering at Milwaukee's Repairs for The Breach. Many of the people that are homeless are Veterans which made more sense to start helping being a Veteran himself. Joe a member of Advent Church, he brought the awareness to the congregation and the first year was able to raise enough money to donate 40 sleeping bags.

Since Joe's passing in 2014, we continue the mission and awareness to other churches, local clubs, and individuals in the community which has expanded the opportunity to give 400 to 500 sleeping bags per year. We continue to donate through Repairs of the Breach, Cross Lutheran Church, and Bob's Under the Bridge every November to help deal with the cold Wisconsin weather.

We are always in need of donations throughout the year in the form of money or gently used sleeping bags. Each bag purchased cost around \$20 which they are provided at cost from our loyal supporter at Beyer's True Value in Cedarburg. For more information please contact Patrick Herkert at [pherkert@att.net](mailto:pherkert@att.net).

**The weather is getting cold and the homeless in Milwaukee are in need of new sleeping bags. Help keep Joe's spirit alive and buy a sleeping bag or two in his name.**



*Donations are collected and payable to Advent Church. Please write "Joe's bags" in memo line on the check.*

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