

14 HOURS HOMELESS

EVERYBODY DESERVES A HOME

The Ultimate Guide to Hosting an Offsite 14 Hours Homeless Event

The official date for 14 Hours Homeless is Friday 13th October, but you can host your event anytime in September or October.

Individuals and small groups (under 6 people)

- Please registers as individuals [on our website](#)
- Choose the location/project that you will be fundraising to support and when filling out the registration form, choose "Offsite" as your sleepout option

Youth groups and teams (6 people or more)

- You need to register [on our website](#) but you do not need to register as individuals - just have a shared group name if that is easier for your group
- Choose the location/project that you will be fundraising to support and when filling out the registration form, choose "Offsite" as your sleepout option
- [Email our event organiser](#) and confirm the number of participant that are part of your group so we can send out your 14 Hours Homeless group packs
- If there are participants in your group under 18 years old, make sure your organisation's child safety policies are adhered to. We recommend one adult leader to every 6 children
- Each participant that is under 18 is also required to complete a guardian's consent form (an example is attached if your organisation does not have one)

Invite others to take part

Spread the word in your community and encourage your people to sign up and take part in 14 Hours Homeless. The more people who participate the bigger difference we can make. Spread the word and get others inspired.

Plan your night

- What **food** is to be served? Keep it simple and low cost like soup or a sausage sizzle
- Maybe create small packs that can be handed out to people in your community who are experiencing homelessness (include socks, toiletries, muesli bars etc)
- Prepare a bed out of cardboard, a couch or in a car with a sleeping bag and blanket
- Here are [3 short videos](#) of people who have experienced homelessness that would be great to watch on the night
- **Show a movie** that tells a story of homelessness (be aware of the rating if under 18s are in your group). We recommend: The Soloist (2009), Time out of Mind (2014), Lady In The Van (2015), Pursuit of Happiness (2006)
- **Take photos** and share in the [official Facebook event](#)

Ask for donations

Use your networks to share your reasons for participating in 14 Hours Homeless. You are wanting to make a difference to Kiwis who are experiencing homelessness and that's awesome, so people will want to support you! Share a link to your fundraising profile so they can support you and your project. Ask around for donations from others - and don't forget to sponsor yourself! Check out our guide on how to [raise \\$300 in a week](#).

Get excited!

Send out event updates in the lead up to your 14 Hours Homeless event. Remind your participants of the difference they can make helping the 1 in 100 Kiwis who are currently experiencing homelessness.