

Smile Bags

Creating Connected Communities (CCC) is a nonprofit organization with a mission to provide life-enhancing programs for children experiencing hardship by empowering teens to become engaged community leaders and volunteers. CCC serves more than 8,000 children and families from social service agencies around Atlanta, including homeless shelters, transitional housing agencies, Title-1 schools, and academic support programs and camps.

After attending a program, we want participants to leave with more than a smile --so we make sure everyone leaves with a Smile Bag, packed by volunteers of all ages throughout our community. While the contents of our Smile Bags change, each bag is filled with items such as personal care products, engaging activities, and school supplies.

A Guide To Making Smile Bags

Items Needed:

- 1 ziploc bag (quart size)
- 1 toothbrush
- 1 toothpaste (0.85 oz travel size)
- 1 unsharpened pencil
- 8-pack of crayons
- 1 deck of playing cards (standard 2.5 in. x 3.5 in. size)
- 1 small lollipop
- 1 colored Smile Bag card

Assembly Directions:

- Open link to download and print Smile Bag card: https://www.cccprojects.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/06/Smile-Bag-Card.pdf.
- Fold the printout into a card with the words "Smile Bag!" facing out.
- Color the words "Smile Bag!" on the front panel
 ONLY (please leave the rest blank so the recipients can color that).
- Place all of the items and the card inside the ziploc bag and close it securely.





Learn more at www.cccprojects.org/smile-bags.

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