



St. Michael Church

“Home in a Box” is a project of the Friends of Chimbote Mission in Fargo, ND created to provide essential household items to families who have arrived in Chimbote empty handed or lost their belongings in a fire or other tragedy. The ACAF social workers visit families living in the barrios every day and assess the needs.

The cost to purchase a complete Home in a Box package is approximately \$100.

WHAT TO DO

Please collect all of the items that are listed on this sheet and place in plastic bin.

You may drop off your Home in a Box in the Narthex of St. Michael Church. Any questions please call the church office at 952-447-2491.

Detailed questions regarding the program can be directed to Friends of Chimbote at 701-364-0162 or email support@friendsofchimbote.org.

TIMING & PROCESS

In September, the boxes and other donated items will be transported from Friends of Chimbote in Fargo and St. Michael Church to Shakopee, MN where the shipping container is packed by our volunteer team. The shipping container leaves Minnesota the first week of October. It will take approximately 6 weeks for the container to travel to the coast, be placed on a ship, arrive in Peru and transported to the Mission in Chimbote.

The Home in a Box and other container items are distributed to the poor in the Chimbote community by our Mission partner, ACAF, based on needs assessments of our Mission social workers.

HOME IN A BOX LIST

The following items MUST be packed into an 18-gallon plastic bin (solid – not see through) with a lid for ease of packing, shipping, and storage upon arrival in Chimbote. This plastic bin will also become a valuable storage item for the family. Because of the need to record/manifest each item in the shipment for international customs' inspections, please include only these exact items in the bins:

- 2 twin sheet sets (dark colors)
- 4 wash cloths (dark colors)
- 2 bath towels (dark colors)
- 1 stainless steel frying pan 10 inch or larger (for open flame use)
- 1 medium-sized sauce pan (for open flame use)
- 1 plastic water jug with spigot (collapsible is best)
- 8 forks, spoons, and knives (NO sharp knives)
- 8 bowls or plates (sturdy plastic or melamine)
- 8 plastic glasses
- 1 large serving spoon
- Pot holder or oven glove
- 4 containers with lids (Gladware or similar)
- 10 plastic hangers
- 1 package clothespins
- 50ft length of nylon rope or clothesline
- 1 tarp 8'x12'
- 1 roll of duct tape
- 2 notebooks
- 4 pencils
- 4 pens
- 1 sturdy plastic pail
- 1 pair of work gloves



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