

Houses for Change Poster Script

Thank you so much for being a part of our Houses for Change service project! If you're not currently a Modern Woodmen member, we're glad you're here. Service projects are one of many ways Modern Woodmen gives back to communities across the United States.

I want to take a moment and share why our Houses for Change project will be so important. The poster I'm holding shows some facts about **charitable giving and volunteering in the United States**. I'll have the poster on display if you want to learn more.

Did you know?

- Eighty percent of charitable giving is done by people just like you – not big companies.
- Nearly 9 out of 10 kids ages eight to 19 donate money to charities.
- Kids really want to make a difference in others' lives. Those who do charitable work have higher self-esteem. That means they feel good about who they are and what they're doing.
- People who spend at least some of their money on others are happier than those who don't.

We'll begin our Houses for Change project by discussing what the homeless in our community might need. Then we'll collect spare change, either at home or other places around town. The houses we'll be decorating will remind other that the money will go to help those with no homes. Afterward, we'll donate the money we've collected to a local organization or use it to buy whatever the homeless might need.

Together, we can **change** our community – for the better!