



The Mustard Seed  
of Central Florida

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# Hosting a Dresser Drive!

Thank you for your interest in hosting a Dresser Drive for The Mustard Seed of Central Florida (TMS). TMS provides families and individuals in the community with a full house of furniture after experiencing personal tragedy, natural disaster or homelessness.

The Mustard Seed of Central Florida last year served 2,326 people, providing individuals with all of the pieces of furniture they need to make their house a home. The volume of dressers we receive from the community does not meet the need of those we serve. We have to limit dressers to 1 per family, and about half of the families we serve are unable to go home with one.



Dresser Drives are a unique opportunity to foster team building and collaboration while meeting a need for TMS. Our goal is to be able to provide a dresser for every family The Mustard Seed serves. Last year, through the help of our partners, we were able to bring in 60 dressers. We need your assistance to help build 200 dressers this year.

This Dresser Drive Coordinator Guide outlines everything you need to get started helping families in need.



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## Getting Started:

### Determine Your Groups Build Location:

- Builds can be hosted on-site at The Mustard Seed Warehouse, or off-site at your location.
- On-site builds include a tour of the facility, as well as the utilization of tools provided to volunteers. On-Site builds must be scheduled for the afternoon on weekdays, from 2pm to 4:30pm
- Off-site builds can include a short staff presentation, as well as photography, and can be scheduled for weekends, with the pick up of built pieces during the week by Mustard Seed staff.



### Determine a Date and Time:

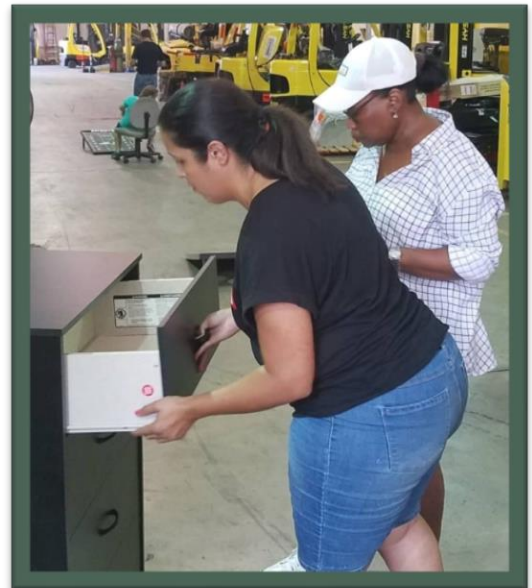
- All builds must be scheduled **6 weeks** in advance. Off-site builds will be scheduled for a pick up day and time based on zip code, and on-site builds are scheduled to allot time for dressers to be purchased and delivered to TMS and space to be cleared.

### Determine the Number of Dressers your Group Will Build:

- On-site builds can host a maximum of 10 dressers/20 volunteers. We are able to pick up 40 dressers from an off-site build. It is recommended to have two volunteers per dresser, for a two hour build time. Each additional increment of two hours could add an additional dresser.

### Determine your Team Size:

- Builds can be hosted on-site for a minimum of 5 dressers to a maximum of 10 dressers, with a maximum number of volunteers being 20.
- Off-Site capacity can encompass your whole team, but the maximum number of dressers that can be picked up by TMS staff is 40 pieces.





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## The Model and Processing

- The Mustard Seed of Central Florida has determined the most practical model for shipping and building is the IKEA Kullen 5 drawer chest in the color "black/brown." Each dresser is \$79.00
- For off-site builds, the number of pieces can be shipped directly to your location, and can be ordered from the IKEA website at your convenience.
- For on-site builds, pieces can be purchased by TMS prior to your volunteer shift. *Funds must be provided to TMS a minimum 3 weeks in advance.* As we do not utilize IKEA's shipping service, and must account for gas/staffing, a \$50 transportation fee will be applied in addition to the cost of the dressers.



**For Off-Site Builds:** To build the dressers, you will need to provide volunteers with the following tools- *Hammer/Mallet, box cutter, flat head and phillips head screwdriver.*

**For On-Site Builds:** We have all of the tools on hand to build the dressers. Volunteers are welcome to bring their personal drill to assist in building, however, TMS does not have these on hand for volunteers.



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# From the Bottom of our Heart, Thank You!

However many dressers you and your team choose to build, we are grateful for your involvement in moving our mission and vision forward. It is through your involvement that we are able to serve as many families as we do in Central Florida.



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