CORPORATE BUILD DAYS

A Chemo Care Kit Build Day

Your team builds Chemo Care Kits together. Within days, they are in the hands of cancer warriors at a cancer center near you.

2 hours | Up to 1,000 kits

Beyond Basic Needs | Rachel Minion, Founder

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WHY TEAMS BOOK IT

What companies tell us they want

1

Hands-on

Not another pamphlet or fun run. The team wants to make something with their hands.

2

Every office, one event

In one room, or several offices together on Zoom. The format works either way.

3

Open to everyone

Employee resource groups, whole departments, or the entire company. Everyone has a place on the line.

4

Tied to a moment

Breast Cancer Awareness Month, an offsite or giving season. It fits the moment without a lecture.

Every Build Day is built around those four things.

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THE FORMAT

What a Build Day is

Your people spend two hours assembling Chemo Care Kits. We supply every item, every instruction and every hospital. Within days the kits are in the hands of cancer warriors starting chemotherapy at a cancer center near each of your offices.

No planning burden

We order and ship the materials to your office ahead of time.
On build day, your team shows up and builds.

Works remote and in-person

Offices assemble side-by-side while everyone stays on one call.

Ends in a delivery

The kits go to real patients at named cancer centers, not into storage.

2 hours

Total event length

Up to 1,000

Kits a team can build in one sitting

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THE PRODUCT

What goes inside a Chemo Care Kit

Hand-sewn port pillow	Cozy socks	Lip balm
Hand cream	Ginger chews	Eye mask
Journal and pen	Electrolyte packets	Back scratchers

Your gift buys every item in the kit at bulk pricing, plus shipping for the port pillows.
The pillows themselves are hand-sewn and donated by sewists across the United States.

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THE PART NOBODY ELSE SOLVES

The port pillow problem, solved



The pillow sits between the belt and the port.

A port pillow clips to a seat belt and cushions the chemotherapy port on the drive home from treatment. It is the single most important item in the kit and the most expensive one.

You do not have to source them or pay a marketplace seller five dollars a pillow. We work with volunteer sewists across the United States hand-sew and donate pillows to us year-round. They arrive by mail, unannounced, dozens at a time.

Your gift covers shipping them to you. It never pays for the pillow itself.

Hand-sewn

Every pillow is made by a sewist, not a factory.

Donated

Sewists across the United States send them to us at no cost.

You cover shipping

Your gift moves the pillows. It never buys them.

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PLACEMENT

We bring the hospitals

Most teams have no idea where the kits should go. You do not have to find a cancer center in any city. We already have the relationships, we confirm the volume in advance, and we introduce you before the event so your team knows exactly who is receiving their work.

Baltimore

Johns Hopkins

1,100 kits delivered in a single August shipment.

Los Angeles

UCLA Health Cancer Center

Actively asking us for more kits.

Your city

We find the center

We locate and confirm a cancer center near each of your offices.

Optional and recommended: we invite a representative from each center to open the event with a two-minute welcome.

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THE MECHANICS

How it works, start to finish

1 Your company makes the gift

One donation to Beyond Basic Needs covers every kit.

2 We source everything

We buy every item at bulk pricing and pull the donated port pillows from stock.

3 One shipment to you

Everything lands at your office weeks ahead of the date.

4 You set the room

Book a room, or a Zoom if your offices are spread out.

5 Everyone builds

Two hours, assembly line by table, in person or on Zoom. We are with you throughout.

6 Kits reach the centers

Each office delivers locally. The kits are with cancer warriors within days.

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SAMPLE RUN OF SHOW

How the two hours run

0:00	**Welcome**	Your leadership opens. If you have several offices, one voice from each.
0:10	**Why this matters**	Rachel shares the founding story and what actually helps someone in treatment.
0:20	**The cancer centers**	A representative from each receiving center says hello.
0:30	**Build**	Assembly lines run at every table. Music on.
1:45	**Count and close**	Final tally announced to the whole team.

Times are a starting point. The build block is the only one that needs the full hour.

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IT HAS BEEN DONE BEFORE

Constellation Energy, Baltimore



Constellation's team ran exactly this format in May 2025. We split the room into three rows, each group passing kits down the line and sealing them at the end. The kits were done faster than anyone expected.

1,000

Chemo Care Kits funded by Constellation

2

Hours of action

Mercy Medical Center

Where the Baltimore kits were delivered

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BALTIMORE, MAY 2025

What it looks like on the day







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WHO YOU WOULD BE WORKING WITH

Beyond Basic Needs by the numbers

12,000+

Chemo Care Kits shipped since we started

7,000+

Shipped in 2026 alone

1,100

Kits sent to Johns Hopkins in a single August shipment

More than half of everything Beyond Basic Needs has ever shipped went out in 2026.
We are a registered 501(c)(3) and your gift is tax deductible.

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INVESTMENT

What it costs

Every kit is bought at bulk pricing, so the per-kit cost drops as the volume rises. A donated port pillow goes in every kit at every tier.

VOLUME	PER KIT	TOTAL GIFT
100 kits	$11.77	**$1,177**
250 kits	$10.16	**$2,540**
500 kits	$9.40	**$4,700**
1,000 kits	$9.27	**$9,270**

Pricing reflects current bulk rates and is confirmed at the time of the gift.

OUR RECOMMENDATION

500 kits

$4,700 total

Comfortable for a team of 30 or more inside the build hour, with the per-kit price close to its lowest.

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THE GIFT

How the money moves

1

A donation

Beyond Basic Needs is a registered 501(c)(3). Your company makes a charitable gift.

2

Fully tax deductible

You receive an acknowledgment letter with our tax identification number for your records.

Documentation is ready to go. Tell us what your giving team needs and we will send it the same day.

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NEXT STEPS

Working backward from your date

Your team reviews this proposal

Gift approved and processed

Materials ordered, hospital partners confirmed

Everything arrives at your office

Shares forwarded to any other offices

Build Day

Shipping is the one thing we cannot rush.
Carriers slow down in busy seasons, so we build in the extra weeks on purpose.

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One team. Hundreds of kits. One afternoon.

When someone is diagnosed, the calls stop. Friends want to help and don't know how, so they send nothing. On your Build Day, your team sends something. A port pillow for the ride home from the first treatment. Socks for an infusion chair that runs cold. Ginger chews for the hours after. Hundreds of times over, in one afternoon.

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