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## *Donation Drive to Coincide with University's Family Weekend*

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. — Gardner-Webb University will collect new men's socks this month to donate to homeless people in the community.

"Socks are one of the most requested items for the homeless," said Micah Martin, GWU Director of Student Leadership Development and Community Engagement. "But they are not frequently donated to homeless aid organizations since people typically donate used clothing and trash their old socks."

The University sock drive is set to begin Thursday, Sept. 18. Donors are asked to take new men's socks to the Tucker Student Center entry lobby.

Members of the community are also invited to donate socks at Gardner-Webb's home football game Sept. 20 in Spangler Stadium. The Runnin' Bulldogs will host Wofford at 6 p.m. All fans who donate a pack of new men's socks will be admitted free of charge, said Chuck Burch, GWU Vice President for Athletics.

Socks will be distributed to homeless shelters in the region surrounding Gardner-Webb, as well as additional communities, Martin shared.

For more information on the sock drive, contact Martin at 704-406-2135, or email [volunteer@gardner-webb.edu](mailto:volunteer@gardner-webb.edu).

The clothing collection coincides with GWU's 2014 Family Weekend activities. For more information on Family Weekend, visit [gardner-webb.edu/student-life/events/family-weekend](http://gardner-webb.edu/student-life/events/family-weekend).

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