Sleep in Heavenly Peace's Bunks Across America Builds Thousands of Beds, Delivers Hope Nationwide

Eighth Annual Event Unites Volunteers, Communities and Partners to End Child Bedlessness



A YMSL mother and son team up with a Lowe's associate to cut lumber during a Bunks Across America build day at the Lowe's Home Improvement store in Mooresville, North Carolina. (Photo credit: Triple7Creative)

POCATELLO, ID, UNITED STATES, September 18, 2026 / EINPresswire.com/ -- Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP), the leading national nonprofit dedicated to building and delivering beds to children in need, celebrated its eighth annual Bunks Across America (BAA) event that mobilized 17,761 volunteers with 232 chapters nationwide Sept. 5-12, in building 10,602 beds.

“Bunks Across America is the heartbeat of our organization,” said Jordan Allen, CEO of Sleep in Heavenly Peace. “This year, 17,000 volunteers came together in communities across the country, proving once again that when we work as one, we can change thousands of lives in a single day. Every one of these beds represents a child who will sleep safely and comfortably tonight.”

That surge in volunteer support was fueled in part by Young Men's Service League (YMSL) chapters nationwide, which selected Bunks Across America as their 9/11 Day of Service project and named SHP their Ultimate Gift recipient this year. YMSL moms and sons showed up at build sites across the country, embodying the hands-on, family-driven spirit that powers BAA.

While SHP works year-round to combat child bedlessness, BAA serves as a powerful rallying point for communities to come together and make a tangible difference in the lives of children.

In Roseburg, Oregon, volunteers with the SHP-OR, Umpqua Valley chapter delivered a bed to the daughter of Christopher W. that same afternoon, just hours after he helped build it.

“You guys are donating a bed to my daughter today,” said Christopher W., the father of a bed recipient. “I might as well donate my time. It’s the least I can do.”

This year’s event was strengthened by expanded partnerships, including hundreds of BAA events hosted in Lowe’s Home Improvement parking lots nationwide. Of those, 41 were exclusive builds held in partnership with Lowe’s Independent Home Services PROviders and local SHP volunteers. As the founding partner of SHP, Lowe’s has exceeded its promise of building 20,000 beds this year alone.



A volunteer sands a bed frame board during Bunks Across America, Sleep in Heavenly Peace's annual nationwide bed-building event. (Photo credit: Triple7Creative)

"Since BAA's inaugural event in 2019, Lowe's has been with us every step of the way as a true partner in our mission," said J.P. Wilson, Senior Director of Strategic Partnerships and Training at SHP. "What sets Lowe's apart is their hands-on continued commitment to roll-up their sleeves, zip up their red vests and help. Their associates, their PROviders, their vendors, all volunteer their time and skills, experiencing firsthand the joy of building hope for local families. This meaningful partnership has helped us reach more communities than we ever imagined possible."

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SHP’s mission is to ensure NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!®, and BAA is one way the organization champions this effort. Thanks to the generous support of national BAA partners Lowe’s, Jockey and Ashley Furniture Industries, as well as countless local sponsors, SHP can make a tangible difference in the lives of thousands of children.

Since its humble beginnings in an Idaho garage in 2012, SHP has grown to include over 400 chapters across the United States. The organization remains committed to its mission of ending child bedlessness in North America and beyond, and is actively seeking volunteers, donations, community and corporate partnerships, and chapters in new locations to continue its impactful community work.

For more information about Sleep in Heavenly Peace and how to get involved, visit shpbeds.org.



Lowe's associates volunteer helping build beds for children in need during Bunks Across America at the Mooresville, North Carolina, Lowe's store. (Photo credit: Triple7Creative)

ABOUT
Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) is the leading 501(c)(3) non-profit dedicated to building and delivering beds to children in need. Our mission is simple: NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!® With millions of children sleeping on floors, couches, or other inadequate or unsafe conditions, we know a bed is a basic need for a child's well-being, supporting their physical, emotional and mental development. Powered by volunteer kindness and donor generosity, we're growing our impact across the U.S. and beyond so every child can Sleep Well and DREAM BIG.

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