

What To Pack

Gulfport MS

August 8-15, 2026



On Behalf of all of us here at BTS let me say thank you for making this Gulfport MS Deployment happen for a 2nd time. I say it every time we deploy because it's true... we are never happy about the need to deploy but when there is a need, we are eager to respond. Being with you, our dear friends is the upside to these deployments. There has been so much tragedy and hurt in this area and I believe HE is pleased with your faithfulness.

In an effort to make your deployment as effective, efficient, and safe as possible, we have prepared these guidelines.

Personal Items

- ☐ **Sleeping Bag and/or sheet(s) and a pillow. A blanket (or two) (It can be cold in sleeping quarters)**
- ☐ **Air mattress or Cot if desired. We will be sleeping on the floor at our host church.**
- ☐ **We have found that the “high-top” blow up mattresses are by far worth the investment. MAKE SURE YOU ONLY BRING A “TWIN SIZE” MATTRESS. This is an SP Requirement. BTS does have 4 or 5 cots available for use if you want to use one. YOU MUST LET LESLIE KNOW (727-709-1754)**
- ☐ **Towels and wash clothes**
- ☐ **Toilet articles including soap and shampoo**
- ☐ **Drivers license for ID purposes if you have one... if not some kind of picture ID**
- ☐ **Cash and/or credit/debit cards (needed only for incidentals, souvenirs, etc.)** ☐ **Health insurance card if you have one.**
- ☐ **Personal Snacks if you have special needs or desires**
- ☐ **Flashlight (optional)**

Clothes

Just Remember this as you think “what clothes do I take.” Temperatures are projected to be in the 90's* day time (70's evenings). Sometimes sleeping quarters can be cold or hot. Be prepared for either. AND a light blanket or throw for the bus could help too.

- ☐ **We will work in long pants. NO shorts. (It's a “mud out” so clothes will get dirty)**
- ☐ **SP will provide shirts for daytime (required)**
- ☐ **We will provide work gloves.**
- ☐ **You will NOT be allowed to wear “open toed” shoes or sandals. Hard soled shoes are desirable.**

Health and Medical Items

- ☐ **Prescription and over the counter medicine for the expected length of stay**
- ☐ **Sunscreen if you want or need it.**
- ☐ **Extra pair of glasses or contacts if applicable.**