

# November is Runaway and Homeless Youth Month

## What Can You Do to Raise Awareness?

Each November, New Beginnings joins National Runaway Safeline, National Network for Youth, and hundreds of other organizations across the county in raising awareness about the issues faced by runaway and homeless youth (RHY) during National Runaway Prevention Month. You can, too!

### 5 easy things anyone can do this November:

#### 1. Turn on a green light.

Put a green light bulb in your porch light, or green holiday lights in your home or business window to raise awareness and show your support for runaway and homeless youth!



#### 2. Speak out online.

Post a picture of yourself as a teenager online for #TBT Throwback Thursday with a special RHY prevention message on Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, or join the Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> Give Thanks Thunderclap online. Find more social media awareness ideas at [1800runaway.org](http://1800runaway.org)!

#### 3. Create or attend an event.

Join the national runaway vigil online on November 19<sup>th</sup> or host your own. Drop off food or other items for our Sock Giveaway party for homeless youth on November 11<sup>th</sup> at our Youth Drop-In Center (134 College Street in Lewiston).

#### 4. Wear green.

Wear or post a photo of yourself wearing green on Thursday November 12<sup>th</sup> (or any time this month!) and tell people why you support RHY and ending youth homelessness.

#### 5. Give.

Donate \$ or in-kind goods during November in honor of RHY Month. Turkeys, holiday foods, and holiday gifts for youth are always appreciated this time of year! New Beginnings holiday gift wish list for youth is also online at [NEWBEGINMAINE.ORG](http://NEWBEGINMAINE.ORG)



## New Beginnings

Do you know a Maine youth at risk for homelessness or a family in conflict?

### New Beginnings can help.

#### Youth Shelter

24 hour Phone Referrals  
and Family Mediation

795-4070

#### Drop-In Center

Food, clothing, activities,  
housing referrals, & more

795-6831



Nationwide phone support 24 hours a day:

**1-800-RUNAWAY**

or online at [WWW.1800RUNAWAY.ORG](http://WWW.1800RUNAWAY.ORG)

## SOCK GIVEAWAY PARTY

for Lewiston-Auburn Youth ages 12-21



**1:00 TO 4 PM**

**November 11, 2015**

New Beginnings  
**Youth Outreach Drop-In Center**  
134 College Street in Lewiston

Call **795-6831** for info or to donate socks!