

# BUFFALO WISH LIST

The following have been identified, as items needed to enhance patient care at our facility.

Please contact the Volunteer Program Office prior to making a decision, to discuss specific details and to assure items have not already been donated.

## HOMELESS VETERANS PROGRAM

### **NEW CLOTHING** *(Only new items will be accepted)*

Socks, underwear, t-shirts, pants

### **TRANSITIONAL HOUSING SUPPLIES** *(Only new items will be accepted)*

Starter cooking sets, dishes, silverware, bed linen, towels and assorted kitchen utensils

### **SPONSORSHIP FOR ACTIVITIES**

Holiday Parties

### **GIFT CARDS**

McDonald's, Wendy's, Burger King, Wal-mart, K-mart, Tops Markets

### **BUS TOKENS**

To assist Veterans in the program with transportation (medical appointments or looking for employment)

### **TICKETS**

Tickets for the Veterans to attend any recreational activities within the community

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**OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM**  
**OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM**  
**OPERATION NEW DAWN**

**GIFTCARDS**

Tops Markets, Wegmans, Target, Wal-Mart, Babies R Us, Toys R Us, Home Depot, Lowes, K-Mart, Gas Cards

**FAMILY NEEDS**

Diapers, crib sheets, blankets, newborn outfits (winter wear), mittens and hats for kids, baby food, cereal

**WOMEN'S WELLNESS CLINIC**

**GIFTCARDS**

Tops Markets, Babies R Us, Wal-Mart, Target

**FAMILY NEEDS**

Baby Clothes and blankets

**MONETARY DONATIONS**

Used to support and promote women's health, family support activities and events

**RECREATION PROGRAM**

**VETERANS ART THERAPY PROGRAM**

Donated funds to assist in purchasing art supplies, as acrylic paints, crayons, colored pencils & canvas, that are needed for the Veterans Art Therapy Program

**BIRTHDAY/HOLIDAY PARTIES**

Canteen books, gift cards, small gifts and refreshments for celebrating a patient's special day.

**CANTEEN BOOKS**

Used as prizes for the Veterans during BINGO parties

**CRAFT SUPPLIES**

In need of model kits (cars, planes, ships) for all skill levels. Also, paint by number kits, sun catchers, paint and marker sets

**Wii GAMES**

Basketball, football, soccer, tennis, baseball and Rock Band video games (No violent games)

**GAME NITE**

All kinds of games are welcome. Chess, checkers, backgammon, dominoes, Uno, Phase 10, Skip Bo, Cranium, etc.

**REFRESHMENTS**

Funds or individually wrapped snacks or refreshments. Donations may be utilized in hosting the following types of activities, ice cream social, popcorn social, soft pretzel social, pizza party, flavored coffee parties etc.

## **COMMUNITY LIVING CENTER** **9A (WILLOW LODGE)**

### **PATRIOTIC THROWS / LAP BLANKETS**

#### **DVDs**

For movie nights and activities

#### **Wii GAMES**

Rock Band and Mario Kart

#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

Live musical entertainment. If you know of someone, we are interested in contact information for potential performers.

#### **HAND HELD GAMES**

Some of the younger Veterans asked for electronic games (\$10 - \$20 each)

#### **BEDSIDE RADIO/CD PLAYER/CLOCKS**

One for each private room

#### **AUDIO BOOKS**

Full-length books available in CD format

#### **BREAD MIXES**

Found in the baking aisle of grocery stores and cost about \$2.50 to \$3 each

#### **INSIDE ACTIVITIES**

Health concerns prevent some groups of Vets leaving the unit for field trips. Donations would cover the cost of hosting 5-8 people for special meals in our recreation room (e.g. Fish fry, Chinese take-out night, pizza and wings, spaghetti dinners, ect)

## **7C ACUTE MEDICAL UNIT**

#### **DVD PLAYER**

#### **PHONE CARDS**

## **DAY TREATMENT CENTER**

#### **GIFT CARDS/CERTIFICATES/TICKETS**

##### **RESTAURANTS**

McDonald's, Wendy's, Burger King

##### **RETAILERS**

Wal-mart, K-mart, Tops Market

Tickets to the Theater and Sporting Events

#### **POTTED PLANTS**

# **VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

## **TELEVISIONS**

Funds or donations for patient's rooms and waiting rooms

## **NEWSPAPER SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Quarters needed to purchase daily newspapers for the Patient Travel Lounge, Emergency Room, PCG-1, PCG-2, 10A, 10D and Adult Day Health Care

## **ANNUAL MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Many of our clinical and family waiting areas are in need of current reading material. Subscriptions from various magazines such as Car and Driver, Automobile, Men's Health, Sports Illustrated, Time, Newsweek, Golf Digest, People, Money, Cosmopolitan, O (Oprah's Magazine), Women's Health, etc.

## **PATIENT COMFORT ITEMS**

Toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shaving cream, disposable razors, shampoo, combs, etc. "Sample size" of these items would be ideal. Other items that are needed are new/packaged white socks, white T-shirts (xxxl, xxl, xl, large, both regular and V neck).

## **COMPING COUPONS**

Veterans issued comping coupons can be redeemed either in the Canteen or the Retail Store.

## **NATIONAL GAMES**

Sports plays a very large role in the recovery of many of our Veterans. Monetary donations are accepted for the "National Games Account" (GPF-1848). This account helps sponsor Veterans who wish to participate in any of our National Games, i.e. "Golden Age Games", "National Veteran Wheelchair Games", "Winter Sports Clinic", Summer Sports Clinics and "Creative Arts Festival".

**NOTICE WHEN DONATING FUNDS BY CHECK PLEASE MAKE PAYABLE TO:**

**VA W.N.Y. HEALTHCARE SYSTEM**

**PLEASE USE THE CHECK'S MEMO BOX TO IDENTIFY WHICH GENERAL POST FUND YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE TO**

**The Internal Revenue Service has announced that under the Tax Code, donations to the Department of Veterans Affairs General Post Fund for exclusively public purposes are deductible from federal income taxes in the manner and to the extent allowable. The announcement reflects the tax law provision with donations deductible as "donations to the United States."**