

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Edward Hines, Jr. VA Hospital
Voluntary Service (135)
5000 S. 5th Avenue
Hines, IL 60141

**VAVS Committee Patient Needs List
Updated June 28, 2012**

The following have been identified as items/projects needed to enhance patient care.

PLEASE contact Voluntary Service at (708) 202-2523, Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. **prior to making a decision** to discuss specific details and to assure that the items have **NOT ALREADY BEEN PURCHASED.**

In accordance with 38 U.S.C. 8301, VA is authorized to accept donations or gifts for the benefit of patients. This list of needs is provided to inform potential donors or gift givers of the needs of the local facility to “care for those who have borne the battle”.

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has announced that under the Tax Code donations to the Department of Veterans Affairs’ General Post Fund (GPF) 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, which makes those donations deductible as “donations to the United States.”

Donations to support any of the Department’s programs are deductible, whether the donor directs the donated funds be used for a specific purpose or allow the Department to decide how the donated funds will be used.

ITEM	ESTIMATED COST
Cancer Survivor Committee	
Annual cancer survivor celebration (includes music, refreshments and gifts)	\$\$Any Amount
Chaplain Service	
Rosaries	\$\$Any Amount
Saint Medals	\$\$Any Amount
Geriatrics and Extended Care	
Sweat pants	\$20 each
Polo shirts	\$20 each
Medical Media	
Photo studio background system	\$1,900
Nursing Service	
DVD Player for Veteran Education	\$40.00-80.00
Samsung DVD (DVDC500)	\$60.00

Homeless Veterans Program	
Pillow (70)	\$350
Blanket (70)	\$700
Towel (70)	\$600
Silverware (70)	\$450
Tableware (70)	\$2000
Knapsack (70)	\$1750
Folding twin bed (20)	\$2,000.00
Twin air bed (20)	\$2,000.00
OEF/OIF Returning Veterans Program	
Prepaid gas cards (purchased by donor)	\$10 each
Prepaid shopping cards (purchased by donor)	\$20 each
Social Work Section	
Chinese Checkers	\$\$Any Amount
Checkers	\$\$Any Amount
Dominoes	\$\$Any Amount
Sorry Game	\$\$Any Amount
Chess Board	\$\$Any Amount
Welfare Transportation Fund (Public transportation for indigent patients)	\$\$Any Amount
Women Veterans Program	
Gas Cards, CTA Cards	\$\$Any Amount
Wal-Mart and Target Gift Cards	\$\$Any Amount
Grocery Store Gift Cards	\$\$Any Amount
Maternity bags (with baby care items)	\$\$Any Amount
Hats, Scarves, Gloves	\$\$Any Amount
Pocket Calendars/Planners	\$\$Any Amount
Kid's toys	\$\$Any Amount
Child Care Vouchers	\$\$Any Amount
Haircut Vouchers	\$\$Any Amount
Job Interview Clothes	\$\$Any Amount
Spa Treatment Voucher	\$\$Any Amount
Personal Toiletry Items	\$\$Any Amount
New Purses and wallets	\$\$Any Amount
Movie Passes	\$\$Any Amount
Breast self exam card (300)	\$150
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Camera for the Wander Guard System	\$200
Nutrition and Food Service	
Calorie, fat and carbohydrate counter (100)	\$800

Portion models of common food	\$150
Educational materials for diabetics	\$420
Body fat & muscle replicas	\$150
Combo food model kits	\$200
Pedometer (100)	\$2000
Collapsible measuring cups and spoons (50)	\$800
Food scale	\$500
Omron Body Fat Analyzer (1)	\$60
Nutrition and Food- MOVE! Program	
MOVE! Participation Pins	\$240.00
Freezer Safe Food Storage Containers	\$857.50
Mounted Ballet Bar	\$248.85
Awareness Bracelets for Participation in Program	\$635.00
Exercise DVD- Karen Voight's Ease into Fitness	\$749.50
Exercise DVD- AM & PM Yoga for Seniors with Liliias	\$449.50
Exercise DVD- Discover Tai Chi for Balance & Mobility	\$599.50
Exercise DVD- Leslie Sansone's Active Adult 1 & 2 Mile	\$749.50
The Calorie King- Paperback Book	\$1,438.40
Oak Park Vet Center	
Coffee, Cream & Sugar	\$\$Any Amount
Prepaid shopping cards (purchased by donor)	\$25 each
CTA Fare Cards	\$5 each
Prepaid Gas Cards (purchased by donor)	\$10 each
Pharmacy Service	
Pocket size magnifier (1,000)#1	\$950
8 Compartment pill organizer (1,000)#2	\$1,200
Tablet splitter (2,000)	\$2,400
Podiatry- 5th Floor	
Podiatry emery boards	\$\$Any Amount
Rehabilitation and Audiology	
11x14 White Board for Communicating	50 x \$8.49 each
Talk Chart	25 x \$4.00 each
Recreation Thereapy	
Hines Sports Day (event required for all veterans wishing to participate in National Games)	\$\$Any Amount
National Veterans Games/Competitions (Winter Sports Clinic, Golden Age Games, Wheelchair Games, Creative Arts Contest)	\$\$Any Amount
Monthly recreational games/activities (activities are held in CLC)	\$100 Per Month
DVD movies (50)	\$25 Each
Wii Video Game Console	\$100 Each

