



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Material Item Donations

There are many ways to support our Veterans and their families through donating specific items for their benefit. The following are some priority needs/programs where donations are always welcome:

Grocery/Gas Gift Cards for Social Work Service to give to Veterans and their families in need.

- Suggested monetary value - \$20/\$25 per card

Operation Date Night is a program to help returning Veterans become reacquainted with their family and ease the readjustment process. The program is carefully managed by our [OEF/OIF/OND Program](#) staff.

- Restaurant gift cards/certificates, movie tickets & other entertainment venue gift certificates
- \$50 VISA gift cards that will help to pay for a baby sitter when needed.

VA Community Housing and Outreach Services gladly accepts a wide variety of donations to benefit **homeless Veterans** and their families, including bed and bath items, housewares, food, school supplies, pet supplies, furniture, and other necessities.

- For a complete listing of needs, and to arrange delivery, please e-mail us at pugvolunteer@va.gov.

These items are usually welcome, but please check with us first to learn of our current needs

- DVD Movies
- Current Magazines (no older than 3 months) – please remove/conceal personal name and address information
- Newspaper subscriptions for inpatient units
- Forever Postage Stamps
- \$1 or \$5 Canteen Coupon Books (for activity prizes and/or Veterans in need) – these may be purchased from the VA Puget Sound Canteen office at Seattle or American Lake
- Personal Care/Comfort Items – must be alcohol-free and unopened with factory seal/wrapper.
- Coffee and Related Supplies (mostly needed at American Lake)

Please contact us to arrange delivery so that we will be expecting you and can provide you with the necessary logistics. We welcome the opportunity to discuss any specific donation projects you have in mind.

A donation sheet needs to accompany all material item donations. This is to ensure that we properly account for and acknowledge all donations. You may choose to remain anonymous as desired. Donation sheets are available in our Voluntary Service office at Seattle and American Lake or upon request. Copies of receipts for items purchases are always appreciated.

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