**VA SAN DIEGO HEALTHCARE**

**VOLUNTARY SERVICE NEEDS LIST**

The **VA San Diego Healthcare System** does not solicit for donations, nor do we allow the name of the VA to be used in solicitations through other organizations. However, for those organizations or individuals who inquire as to our needs, the following is a list you can use as a guide for our special needs, program support and/or equipment. None of these items are available through our normal budget.

A. PATIENT CLOTHING

1. Pants: Waist Size 30, 32, 34, 36 average length 5. Socks: Men’s white

2. Shirts: Casual Size: M, L, XL, 2X 6. Jackets: Sizes L, XL, 2X and up

3. T-Shirts: M, L, XL and up 7. Underwear (new): Men’s sizes M, L, XL, 2X and up

4. Shoes: Size 8½ - 13 8. Sweat Shirts and Pants: All sizes

B. PATIENT COMFORT ITEMS: Individual Size (No glass bottles please)

1. Reading Glasses 6. Combs and Brushes

2. Disposable Safety Razor 7. Toothpaste

3. Shampoo and Conditioner 8. Toothbrush and Denture Brush

4. Alcohol-free Lotion 9. Shaving Cream and Gel

5. Alcohol-free Deodorant 10. Denture Adhesive

C. OTHER ITEMS

1. Yarn 7. Subscription to children’s magazines for Waiting Area

2. Audio Books (CD’s) 8. Crossword Puzzle Books (regular and large print)

3. Movies (DVD’s) 9 . Lap Robes (50” x 60”)

4. DVD Players 10. Wheelchair Bags

5. Paperback Books (western/mystery/spy/science fiction) 11. Backpacks/Duffle Bags/Sleeping Bags for Homeless Program

 **No hardback books please.** 12. Phone Cards

6. Magazines (current within last 4 months)

D. FUNDS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS

1. Coffee supplies 5. Funds to provide rides for Veterans coming to

2. Bus tokens for the following programs: appointments from airport

a. Emergency social work fund 6. Patient recreational outings for the following programs:

b. ADTP (Alcohol Drug Therapy Program) a. Homeless Veterans

c. Homeless program b. Spinal Cord Injury Patients

3. To provide haircuts for inpatients 7. Player/recorder for visually impaired veterans

4. Emergency fund for returning OIF/OEF military

E. NATIONAL EVENTS

1. Veterans Art Festival 4. Winter Sports Clinic

2. National Veterans Wheelchair Games 5. Summer Sports Clinic

3. Veterans Golden Age Games

F. FOOD FOR OEF/OIF OUTREACH AND TRANSITION INITATIVES

Prefer funds to purchase what is needed.

G. FUNDS TO PURCHASE GPF FINDERS FOR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY PATIENTS

H. COFFEE PROGRAM FOR MISSION VALLEY PSYCHIATRIC CLINIC PATIENTS

Prefer to have funds to be able to purchase needed items throughout the medical center.

MONETARY DONATIONS. Donations can be made to the VA San Diego Health System. Please earmark your donation by indicating in the lower left corner of your check, the intent of your donation.

Donations can be sent to us at: Voluntary Resource Management Service (135), 3350 La Jolla Village Drive #135, San Diego, CA 92161

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you have any questions, please call the VA Hospital Office at (858) 642-3267.