**SUPPLY NEEDS:**

SLIPPER SOCKS WITH NON-SLIP SOLES MAGIC SLATES

EMORY BOARDS DVDS/VIDEO GAMES

WHITE SOCKS (NO ELASTIC) PAPERBACK BOOKS

HAIR BRUSHES CROSSWORD PUZZLE BOOKS

LARGE COMBS (NO RAT-TAIL COMBS) WORD SEARCH BOOKS

SHAVING CREAM & RAZORS WHEELCHAIR GLOVES

(NEW) BRIEFS/T-SHIRTS/BOXERS FINGER & TOE NAIL CLIPPERS

SHAVING MIRRORS BACK SCRATCHERS (plastic/wood)

READING EYE GLASSES \*DITTY BAGS

TOOTHPASTE & TOOTHBRUSHES \*FEEDING BIBS (18 X 36)

DENTURE CLEANER & ADHESIVE \*TRACHEOTOMY BIBS

SHAMPOO \*LAP ROBES (48 X 48)

HAND & BODY LOTION \*AFGHANS (40 X 60)

DEODORANT \*WHEELCHAIR BAGS

LIQUID SOAP \* Patterns are available for these items if interested.

NEW PLAYING CARDS Booklet of **STAMPS** to mail Veterans Letters

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ITEMS WE **CANNOT** USE

BAR SOAP (INFECTION CONTROL) CASSETTE TAPES AND VCR TAPES

USED PLAYING CARDS HOME BAKED GOODS

ARTIFICIAL LIMBS, CRUTCHES, WALKERS MAGAZINES

HARD COVER BOOKS GLASS CONTAINERS

HAIR PICKS (METAL) CIGARS OR CIGARETTES

MATCHES JIGSAW PUZZLES

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**ITEMS TO BE GIVEN TO THE NURSES' STATION ONLY**

MOUTHWASH, NON ALCOHOLIC PRE-SHAVE LOTION

AFTER SHAVE LOTION COLOGNE

RAZORS PENS & PENCILS

TOE & FINGERNAIL CLIPPERS

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**RECREATION AND CRAFT DEPARTMENT NEEDS:**

ALL TABLE GAMES (MONOPOLY, CHECKERS, SCRABBLE, CHESS, ETC.), C.D.’S., MODEL KITS (CARS, SHIPS, ETC.), PAINT BY NUMBER, RUG KITS AND CRAFT SUPPLIES; i.e., NEEDLES, YARN, THREAD, ART BRUSHES, BEADS, ETC.

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**\*\*PLEASE NOTE**: trial/travel sizes only for all shampoos, lotions, soaps etc. Thank you\*\*

**COMFORT CART ITEM NEEDS:**

KLEENEX LAP BLANKETS

POCKET CALENDAR CD PLAYERS

WASHCLOTHS (DIFFERENT COLORS) RADIOS

JOURNALS BODY WASH/LOTION

SIMPLE BOARD GAMES FLAMELESS CANDLES

HUMOR MATERIAL PLAYING CARDS

LETTER WRITING MATERIALS DISPOSABLE CAMERAS

CHAPSTICK NOTE PADS

GUM/HARD CANDY PENS/CRAYONS/PENCILS

STORE PURCHASED SNACKS HANDHELD VIDEO GAMES

BOTTLED WATER

INDIVIDUAL TEA BAGS

HOT CHOCOLATE

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*If you or your organization would like to make a donation but would like Voluntary Service to purchase items for you, specific General Post Funds have been set up for your convenience. Many times Voluntary Service has sources that offer lower prices to them as a non-profit organization than they quote to you or I. In addition, Voluntary Service is always aware of the immediate needs of our Veteran patients*.

*DONATIONS MAY BE MADE BY CASH OR CHECK.* ***All checks or money orders should be made out to the order*** *of the* ***–John D. Dingell VA Medical Center****, denoting in the memo corner of the check the Account Number you wish to designate for the Veteran patients.* ***Mail to address at top of first page****. Listed below are a few of the accounts for which you may wish to designate your gift:*

#2 ***- RECREATION FUND*** - Used to purchase arts and craft items and to fund off-station outings

#5 - ***CANTEEN BOOKS*** - used to purchase canteen books which can be spent in the Canteen store or cafeteria.

#6 - ***CHAPLAINS' FUND*** - used to purchase bibles and other devotional materials for the Veterans

#7 - ***LIBRARY -*** used to purchase newspapers and other items for patient use

#8- ***WOMENS HEALTH CLINIC***- used to assist female & pregnant Veteran mothers

#9-***VALENTINES for VETERANS***- concert is given to Veterans at no charge

#13 - ***SOCIAL SERVICE FUND***- used to assist Veterans in need with such things as emergency transportation

***Continuation of accounts for which you may wish to designate your gift****:*

#14 **- *TV FUND*** - used to purchase televisions for the patient rooms and support cable & in-house video theater

#17 – ***HEALTHCARE FOR HOMELESS VETERANS*** – used to provide needed items for homeless Veterans, such as clothing, eyeglasses, bus fare, personal hygiene items, etc.

#20 – ***CULTURE CHANGE*** – used to fund remodeling of Nursing Home Care Unit to make it more “homelike”, by purchasing curtains, lounge chairs, shelving, chest of drawers, etc. for each room. This will be a long-term project for 4 units on fifth and sixth floors.

#23 - ***VAVS COUNTRY STORE SCHOLARSHIP FUND*** - used to support our Youth Scholarship Program where scholarships are awarded to deserving youth volunteers.

#24 - ***HOLIDAY FUND*** - used to support recreational activities during the holidays.

#32 - ***COMFORT ITEMS*** - used to purchase items necessary to patients during their hospitalization (i.e., toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, shampoo, shaving cream, razors, lotion, etc.)

#35 - ***GOLDEN AGE GAMES/WINTER SPORTS CLINIC/NATIONAL WHEELCHAIR GAMES/NATIONAL CREATIVE ARTS FESTIVAL -*** used to support transportation and participation of Veterans at these annual events.

#40 – ***PALLIATIVE CARE*** – Assistance for Veterans in our **Hospice Unit** and for those Veterans receiving treatment for chronic, incurable disease and injury conditions.

#46 - ***PATIENT REFRESHMENT FUND*** - used in support of patient recreation programs to purchase such things as coffee, sugar, cream, etc.

#50 – ***DOMICILIARY SUPPORT*** – used to provide hygiene, recreational items, and some clothing items for our new treatment program for homeless Veterans.

#60- ***OEF-OIF-OND FUND***- Assistance for returning Veterans and families of Operation Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan) and Operation Iraqi Freedom – purchase phone cards, gift cards, gas cards, lodging, etc.

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***IF YOU NEED MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL William R. Browning-Chief, Voluntary Services, or Camille Chappell, Voluntary Services Specialist, phone (313) 576-3332.***

***THANK YOU!***

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