

We are planning to deliver 300 gift bags Christmas eve morning at 9:00 am. We request that those who volunteer for Christmas eve morning plan to arrive at the VA after 8:45 and by 9:00 am so we can be ready to start delivering packages at 9:30. We have to start this early to be done by the time they begin serving lunch.

We will be assembling packages at the Center for Creative Learning (10919 W Bluemound Rd #50) the evening before at 7 pm (so no one has to get up in the very early hours of the morning). So we are also looking for volunteers to help assemble the bags.

We have a commitment from Potawatomi Casino for playing cards and small bags of candies from Jelly Belly. We have also asked other organizations for donations and have not yet received confirmations.

Items needed:

- small hand held games or other small gift items,
- paper (notepads),
- pens,
- bandanas,
- hard candy (regular and sugar free),
- other small bags of candies,
- CDs.
- Homemade cookies for the nurses' stations
- Cards and ornaments
- Personal Care items for Vets Place (men 75) and Boudicca House (women 15)



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Not all bags will be the same, so each kind of item donated doesn't have to be in quantity of 300. Cookies must be store bought and in their packages. Financial contributions toward purchase of items would also be appreciated.

Please keep us posted on donations you have obtained so we can manage the contents of the gift bags.