



Operation Grateful Giving 2023, a project of Healing Warrior Hearts, American Legion Post 18 and Unit 18 Auxiliary and Rolling Thunder Chapter 2, is happening again on Christmas eve morning!! We are planning to deliver 300 gift bags to patients and residents at the Zablocki VA Medical Center on December 24 at 9:00 am. This will be our twelfth year bringing Christmas cheer to the veterans who aren't going home for Christmas!

We are looking for donations of items for the bags such as 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. Not all bags will be the same, so each kind of item donated doesn't have to be in quantity of 300. Cookies or other snack treats must be store bought and in their packages. American Legion Unit 18 Auxiliary has been making cards and ornaments for the bags.

Financial contributions toward purchase of items would also be appreciated.

We will be assembling packages at the Center for Creative Learning, 10919 W Bluemound Rd #50, on 12/23 at 2:00 pm. We are also looking for volunteers to help assemble the bags.

Representatives of your organization are welcome to join us in delivering the packages. 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.

Please feel free to contact us if you need more information or have any questions.

With great gratitude for the service of our military veterans and those who support them in their healing,

Patricia Clason, Founder, Healing Warrior Hearts
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Operation Gratitude Milwaukee 2023

December 23 – 2:00 pm at Center for Creative Learning, 10919 W Bluemound Rd #50, Bag and Stocking Stuffing

December 24 - 9:00 at the VA, Spinal Cord Injury entrance (Washington Dr)