



Fill a Purse for Homeless Women Veterans or Women in Emergency Shelters

The Department of Nebraska recently sponsored a successful project in support of homeless women veterans in their state. They came up with the clever idea to fill purses with essentials needed by homeless women veterans and women in emergency shelters. Unit members donated gently used handbags or backpacks and these were filled with donated essentials. Ideas for donated content is listed.

If your Unit would like to sponsor a similar project, please do so. When the essential items and purses are collected, drop them off at the Department Office in Fargo or bring them with you to Winter Conference. The VAR Chairman and Department Staff will deliver your donation to the VAMC or shelter you specify. Be sure to tuck a card in with the

purse or supplies so the gift/donations can be acknowledged.

Suggested Contents for Purses

In addition to a gently used purse or backpack stuff with some or all of the following hygiene products for women.

- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Mouthwash
- Deodorant'
- Hairbrush
- Comb
- Bar Soap / Body Wash
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Hand Lotion
- Lip Balm
- Ladies Razor
- Kleenex Tissues
- Hand Sanitizer
- Wet Wipes
- Panty Liners/Sanitary Napkins
- Panties
- Socks