



**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Atlanta VA Medical Center
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Dear Supporters:

I am pleased to announce the 2015 Atlanta Homeless Veterans Stand Down has been scheduled for Saturday, October 17, 2015 from 8:00 am until 2:00 pm at the Fort McPherson VA Medical Clinic. Conducting the Stand Down on VA property affords us the opportunity to reach more homeless Veterans, especially those who may not have attended in the past. Stand Downs are one part of the many efforts we use to reach out and provide services to homeless Veterans.

We are providing services and resources to homeless Veterans such as food, shelter, clothing, health screenings, VA and benefits counseling, and referrals. A variety of other necessary services, such as housing, employment and substance abuse treatment are also offered at Stand Downs.

Stand Downs are collaborative events, coordinated between local VAs, other government agencies, Community Partners, and Veterans Service Organizations that serve Homeless Veterans. In order to provide our homeless Veterans with the support they need, we are again reaching out to our strong network of supporters like you. We are hoping that you will once again answer the call to serve by joining the dedicated individuals throughout our community for this year's Homeless Veterans Stand Down.

For more information about volunteering or making donations, please contact Voluntary Services at (404) 728-7728 or email Gwendolyn.ramos@va.gov and denise.holmes@va.gov. Enclosed is a needs list of items that are essential for a successful Stand Down.

For information about Community Resource Tables, please contact Ms. Patrice Green at (678) 642-2972 or Ms. Cara Dixon at (404) 333-4082.

Thank you in advance for your continued support and generosity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leslie Wiggins".

Leslie Wiggins
Medical Center Director

Enclosures

2015 Stand Down Needs List

Items to be used during Stand Down

Coffee Items

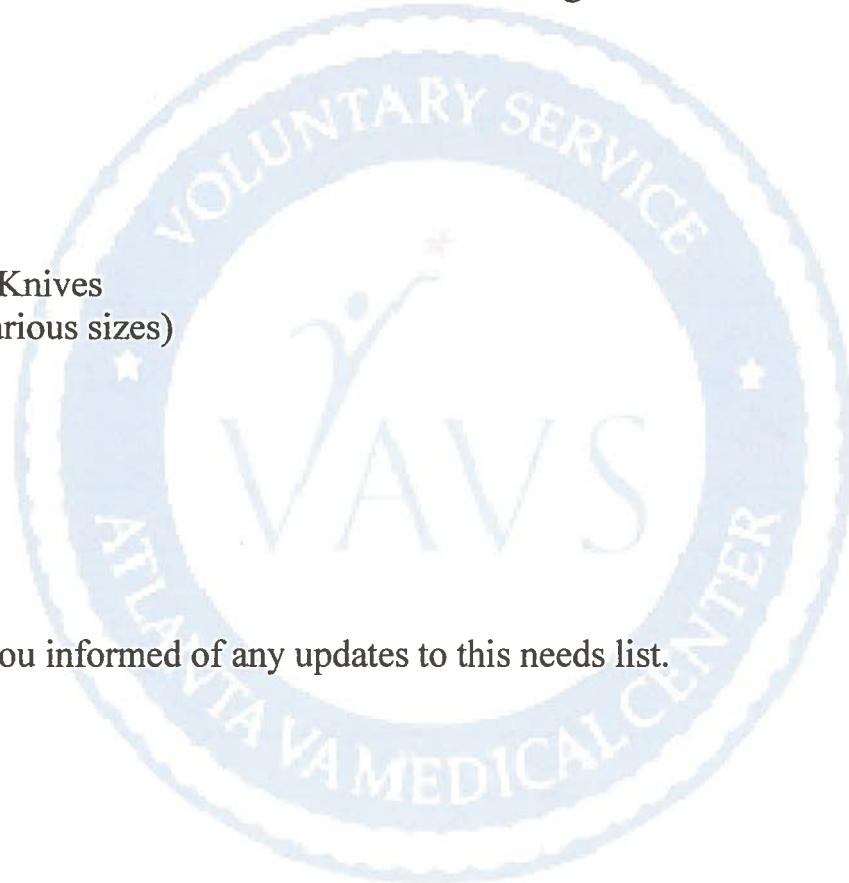
Coffee
Coffee Cream
Sugar
Splenda, Sweet n Low
Stir Straws
Cup and Lids
Water

Misc. Items

Portable Toilets (3-5)
Portable Sinks (3-5)
Marta Breeze Cards 900-1000
Badge Holders
Small Tote Bags

Paper Items

Paper Towels
Napkins
Spoons/Forks/ Knives
Ziploc bags (various sizes)



We will keep you informed of any updates to this needs list.

2015 Stand Down Needs List

Items to be distributed to Homeless Veterans

Clothing

New or excellent condition

Men

Sweatshirts (Med to XXXL)

Sweatpants (Med to XXXL)

T-Shirts (SM to 3X)

Socks

Shower Shoes

Underwear

Women

Sweatshirts (Small to XXL)

Sweatpants (Small to XXL)

Sports Bras (Small to XXL)

Panties (5 to 14)

Socks

Shower Shoes

Comfort Items-Travel Size

No Alcohol

Hand Sanitizer-small

Soap

Lotion

Deodorant (men)

Shampoo/Conditioner

Baby Powder/foot powder (4oz)

Brushes

Combs

Shaving Cream

Hand Wipes

Travel Size First Aid Kits

Women

Hand Sanitizer-Small

Soap

Lotion

Shampoo/Conditioner

Brushes & Combs

Deodorant

Tampons, Sanitary Napkins

Baby Wipes

2015 STAND DOWN SPONORSHIP NEEDS

Breakfast (to feed approximately 600 Homeless Veterans)

Bag Lunches – 600 Homeless Vets

Backpack Drive

Reusable/Recycle Bags (Grocery shopping style)

Coat Drive - New or Excellent condition

Hats and Gloves

Coffee Supplies

Comfort Items (toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, lotion, baby powder, body wash and shampoo)

Men's and Ladies' Clothing - New or Excellent Condition

Underwear- all sizes

Men's T-shirts - all sizes

Shower Shoes and Sock Drive

Water

Hangers

Please deliver your items to Atlanta VAMC by the week of October 9, 2015. If you prefer to write a check or e-donate, please make payable to VAMC and indicate in the memo (for) portion "Stand Down".

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