

North Central Health Care

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Dear Friends:

Believe it or not it is that time of year again. I'm busy preparing for the upcoming Christmas holiday. I am writing to you today on behalf of our Community members who happen to need the services of North Central Health Care. These are clients and residents who have no family to remember them at Christmas. Last year we had over 400 Christmas gift requests for individuals who were in need. Last year I was overwhelmed with the kindness and generosity of our community. With your help we were able to meet all those needs. I am hoping you will be as loyal this year as our needs will be just as great. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all your kindness.

I have enclosed the 2011 Christmas gift suggestion list. You may purchase gifts as an organization or individuals may consider purchasing gifts for our clients and residents. Gifts do not have to be wrapped. They can be brought to North Central Health Care, which is located at 1100 Lakeview Drive. I coordinate gifts for all the nursing home areas as well as the outpatient population. If you have any questions, you can contact me at 848-4450. Please leave a message if I'm not available. I will call you back as soon as I can. If you wish to bring things in the evening or on weekends, they can be left with the receptionist. Please be sure your name and address are included so I can acknowledge your generosity.

GIFTS I'D LEAVE YOU

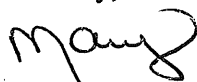
**The gifts I'd leave beneath your tree,
Aren't those that you can touch nor see,
Not wrapped in Christmas tissue gay,
But gifts to bless you every day.**

**The gift of friendship warm and true,
Is one that I would leave for you.
Good health and happiness and cheer
To keep you smiling through the year.
The gift of peace that comes from above,
With prayer to guide each path you trod,
And when our heart has lost its song,
The gift of hope to cheer you on.**

**These are the gifts I'd leave for you
To bring you joy your whole year through.**

Wishing you and your families a Happy Holiday Season!

Sincerely,



Mary Ventzke
Volunteer Coordinator

NORTH CENTRAL HEALTH CARE DONATION SUGGESTIONS

These suggestions are for clients and residents of the North Central Health Care Facilities, which include Mount View Care Center, Marathon Health Care Center, the Developmental Disabilities Program, Marathon County Birth To Three Program, Community Support Programs, Mental Health Out Reach, Group Home residents, and Merrill, Tomahawk and Antigo Branch Office clients. Items with an asterisk are most needed.

PERSONAL ITEMS

Wallets and Coin Purses
Sweat shirts or flannel shirts - size large and up
*Gloves, mittens, winter caps, scarves
Camera (disposable)
Decks of playing cards
*Socks (anklets)
Hankies
Sweat pants - large sizes
T-Shirts, Underwear - size medium and up
Watches (slip-on type preferred)
*Cologne, perfume and Men's After-Shave
*Costume jewelry, necklaces especially
Rubber soled slippers only - size medium and up
Quartz wall clocks with large numbers
Men's belts and suspenders, caps

TOILETRIES

*Body wash
*Shampoo & conditioner
Hair accessories (brushes, barrettes, combs)
Make-up (lipstick, powder, blush, etc.)
*Men's shaving items
*Hand Cream - small or medium bottles only
*Deodorant
*Nail Polish
Toothbrush
*Cologne for men and women

RECREATIONAL

250-500 piece puzzles with large pieces
Games for all ages from pre-school to adult
Word Search and Crossword Puzzle Books

CLOTHING

Sometimes new, or almost new, articles of clothing are perfect for what a resident has always dreamed of owning. These too are great gifts. They could be blouses, slacks, bed apparel, or long underwear, and other nice articles which you were given and never wore. All sizes appreciated, but we particularly need large articles. YOUR THOUGHTFULNESS TOWARDS OUR CLIENTS AND RESIDENTS IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED !

Coloring books, crayons and paint with water
Radio alarm clock
Photo albums - small size only
Simple craft kits and embroidery kits
Books, small toys, for children
Subscription to a magazine or newspaper
Trinkets (almost any small object) for Bingo prizes
Music CD's Polkas, Country Western, Relaxation
CD player
Small table lamps

UNIQUE SUGGESTIONS

Afghans
Cans of pop (caffeine free only) or juice
Small packages of snacks
Yarn for knitting and crochet work
DVD's; comedy, nature or westerns especially
Gift Certificates to McDonalds, Shopko or Walmart etc.
Complimentary tickets to a movie or concert

PAPER PRODUCTS

2012 Calendars
Stationary (small sets) and stamps for mailing
New greeting cards with verses in them only