THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN SUPPORTING VERA HOUSE!

Your generosity is important to us and is very special to the people we serve. Your gifts help our programs offer resources that might otherwise be unavailable to our clients. With your help, Vera House is able to provide some of the most basic items for those who need them the most. Critical needs have been BOLDED.

### SEASONAL & ESSENTIAL NEEDS

- bleach
- hand sanitizer
- bubbles
- children’s play sets for counseling sessions: magic wands, dress up clothes.
- call-out clothing: *for victims of sexual assault/abuse. NEW sweatpants, t-shirts, sweatshirts, underwear, socks (all sizes).*
- disinfecting wipes
- chalk
- alcohol wipes
- hula hoops
- soap & hand sanitzers
- games & art activities for adults, children & families
- paper towels
- toilet paper
- hand sanitizer
- alcohol wipes
- games & art activities for adults, children & families

### NEW HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- towels & washcloths*
- sheets (twin and full size)*
- shower curtain liners*
- coffee makers
- blankets & comforters (twin & full preferred)*
- pots & pans*
- paper products (paper towels/napkins/paper plates/tissues)
- pillows
- silverware/utensils*
- conditioner
- shampoo
- hand soap
- body wash/shower gel
- hand soap
- deodorant
- razors
- hand/body lotion
- hand sanitizer
- hair ties
- toothbrushes
- floss
- shower curtain liners
- coffee makers
- pot & pans*
- paper products (paper towels/napkins/paper plates/tissues)

### NEW TOILETRIES / PERSONAL CARE ITEMS (travel size items not needed at this time)

- conditioner
- hand soap
- body wash/shower gel
- ethnic hair care products (olive oil products, cocoa butter lotion, Palmers lotion)
- shampoo
- hand soap
- body wash/shower gel
- hand/body lotion
- hand sanitizer
- deodorant
- razors
- petroleum jelly/Vaseline
- hair ties
- toothbrushes
- floss
- shower curtain liners
- coffee makers
- pot & pans*
- paper products (paper towels/napkins/paper plates/tissues)

### NEW BABY ITEMS

- diaper wipes
- umbrella strollers*
- infant/baby carriers*
- pull ups (all sizes)
- infant/baby sleep sacks
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- infant/baby sleep sacks

### NEW CLOTHING

- shower shoes
- kids pajamas (all sizes)
- flip flops/sandals (children’s and adults, all sizes)
- slippers
- underwear (all sizes for children, women & men)
- socks (all sizes)
- flip flops/sandals (children’s and adults, all sizes)

### NEW MISCELLANEOUS

- journals
- family/children's DVDs*
- plain gift bags/tissue paper
- board games
- umbrellas
- gift cards
- backpacks
- school & crafting supplies

Items followed by an * asterisk above can be accepted in LIKE NEW condition in limited quantities. If you have questions about a specific item that is not listed, please contact Maryann at mwood@verahouse.org or call (315) 425-0818 x 2234.
HELP SPONSOR A FAMILY IN NEED WITH A “WELCOME HOME BASKET”
Create a memorable gift for a family transitioning from shelter into their new home.
Consider filling a laundry basket (or two) with some of the essential items listed below:
• pots & pans
• dish set/drinkware
• silverware
• dish rack
• towels
• kitchen utensils
• mixing bowls
• dishware
• sponges
• baking sheets
• shower curtain liner
• paper towels
• laundry soap
• paper towels
• all-purpose cleaner
• trash bags
• toilet paper
• broom/dustpan
• sponges
• pot holders

TOILETRY DRIVE
The shelter requests new, unopened, full-size toiletry items to share with clients in crisis and transition. Suggestions for current needs are updated regularly on the reverse side of this wish list.

PAPER PRODUCT DRIVE
These items are used in our shelters as well as shared with families moving into their new homes.
• paper plates/bowls/cups
• plastic utensils
• toilet paper
• tissues
• trash bags
• paper towels
• napkins
• paper towels
• storage bags (Ziploc, etc.)

NEW & GENTLY USED TOWEL DRIVE
Vera House always has a need for towels to use in our shelters as well as share with residents transitioning to permanent housing. We are happy to accept NEW and GENTLY USED towels and washcloths.

GIFT CARD DRIVE
Gift cards in any denomination are used throughout the year to provide basic needs for clients. Gift cards empower clients to buy their own groceries and other essentials; assist with transportation needs and allow for activities for individuals, families or children staying in our shelter.

Retail/Transportation
• grocery store
• laundromat
• bus passes
• gas station
• pharmacy
• retail store
• salon/barbershop
• restaurant
• Visa/Mastercard

Activities
• movie passes
• mini-golf / bowling
• laser tag
• bounce house
• zoo passes
• art and children’s museums
• sporting event tickets
• Lights on the Lake
• other individual, family or child activities

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

When and where can I drop off my donations?
Donations can be dropped off Monday - Friday between 8:30 am - 5:00 pm at our Administrative & Outreach Offices located at 723 James St, Syracuse, NY 13203

Do you accept gently used items?
Vera House accepts some gently used items as noted above but we no longer accept used clothing or furniture items. We now partner with the Rescue Mission to ensure our client’s clothing and furniture needs are met. Consider donating your used clothing and furniture items to the Rescue Mission. Visit www.cleanthatcloset.org for a list of drop-off locations.

What if I have additional questions?
Any questions about our in-kind donations program can be directed to Maryann Wood at (315) 425-0818 ext 2234 or mwood@verahouse.org. You can also visit our website at https://www.verahouse.org/wish-list-donation.

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