Mother's Day Gift Baskets

For Dallas area women's shelters and support groups





Make Your Mama Proud!

Each year, New Hope Foundation, in alliance with the Dallas Bar Association and Notre Dame Club of Dallas, delivers gift baskets to local women's shelters. The women served are victims of violence, including human trafficking, or they are homeless and alone. They often have nothing, so the baskets provide some basic necessities and a bit of dignity and hope.

We are seeking donations of completed baskets from local groups, organizations, and families. We are asking each group to pledge to make as few as 10 or as many as 50, but any amount is appreciated! Or you may donate goods so that our volunteers may complete baskets for you. We ask that you use only new items; however, gently used paperback books are welcomed. It is also important that each is enclosed with tulle (top left), plastic (top right), or shrink wrap to keep contents together during transportation. Lastly, it would be helpful to include a tag that identifies contents, especially if you are including sized items.

All baskets should include soap, shampoo, conditioner, and a loofah or washcloth. In addition to those items, you may include any (or all) of the following, and feel free to add any appropriate item not listed.

- Toiletries (hotel samples, soap, shampoo, toothbrush/ paste, shower caps, etc)
- Flip flops or slippers
- · Night Shirt, pajamas, socks, under garments
- Feminine hygiene products, wrapped or enclosed
- Make up or perfume, or samples
- Paperback book (decent content, no abusive content; may be gently used) or puzzle book
- Journal, calendar, pens, stationary, small gift
- · Hair ties, comb, brush, accessories
- · Candy, snacks with long shelf life (no fresh fruit)
- · Anything inspirational and/or appropriate
- A personal note of encouragement
- A tag on the outside listing what is inside

Please *do not include* candles, alcohol, things that might spoil, gift cards or anything too valuable, or your personal information. And THANK YOU! You may not know the person you are helping, but they are VERY grateful!

Mother's Day 2015 is May 10. Please RSVP your pledge by April 1, and plan to deliver baskets and donations to New Hope Foundation by Saturday, May 2.

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