

Hope Bag Collection

Hope bags are provided to individuals who have been sexually exploited and are being recovered by our law enforcement partners. When an individual is recovered, they often do not have many (or any) personal belongings and are wearing the clothing that they have been trafficked in. These bags are a tangible way to support their recovery during the first days.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) founded this collection effort and have since encouraged local communities to continue this effort.

The Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) will be coordinating this effort throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia through November 2020. The items that are collected will be distributed to law enforcement partners that are among the first responders to these situations.

The PWCS Office of Student Services will be collecting the following items through November 20, 2020. Drop off location is in the Office of Student Services, cubicle for Mary Ellen Smith, Human Trafficking Prevention Specialist.

These materials are neither endorsed or supported by PWCS.

Requested Donation Items

Cinch Sack or Basic Backpack

Clothing Items:

- Flip Flops
- T-Shirt (Nomessages)
- Socks
- Sports Bra
- Sweatpants or Comfortable Leggings
- Sweatshirt
- Underwear

Additional Items:

- \$10 Gift Card to Common Fast Food (i.e.: McDonalds, Chick-fil-A, Subway, Panera Bread, etc.)
- Blanket
- Bottled Water
- HeadbandsorHairElastics(PonytailHolders)
- Individual Size Shelf Stable Snacks (i.e.: Pretzels, Granola Bars, Protein Bars, Crackers, etc.)
- Small Journal Notebook w/Pen
- Towels (Bath and Washcloth)

Hygiene Items:

- Chap-Stick
- Face Wipes or Travel Size Facial Cleanser
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Hair Brush
- Toothbrush
- Travel Size Floss
- Travel Size Hand Lotion
- Travel Size Kleenex
- Travel Size Mouthwash
- Travel Size Shampoo
- Travel Size Toothpaste
- Travel Size Body Wash or Bar Soap
- Travel Size Deodorant



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