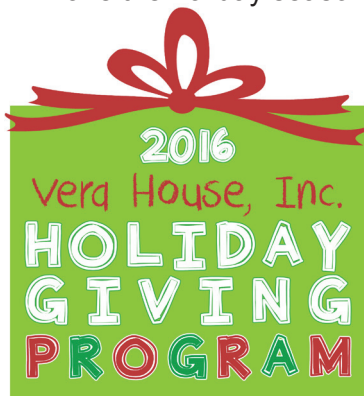


Your generosity helps families we serve who are affected by domestic and/or sexual violence. **The Holiday Giving Program** allows you to give in a way that works best for your family or group. If you choose to participate, please select a gift (or two!) from either the **Holiday Gift Wish List** or **The Gift Of Choice** detailed below. Together, we can make the holiday season a little brighter for those who may be facing challenges while in crisis or transition.

We ask that gifts be NEW and UNWRAPPED



VIEW OUR ONLINE HOLIDAY WISH LISTS:

Walmart.com:

- * click [Registry & Lists](#)
- * select [Lists & Special Occasions](#)
- * under [Find Someone's List](#) enter [Vera House](#) in the [last name](#) field.

Amazon.com:

- * click [Lists](#)
- * click [Find a List](#)
- * search [Vera House, Inc.](#)

HOLIDAY GIFT WISH LIST

1. TEEN & TWEEN GIFTS

Sporting gear, socks, pajamas, slippers, fragrance and toiletry sets, headphones/ear buds, retail store gift cards, movie passes

2. LEARNING TOYS

V-Tech, Leap Frog, musical toys, baby toys, puzzles for preschoolers, art sets

3. PLAYSETS

Play kitchen/food/dishware sets, dress-up sets, superhero sets, Hot Wheels, doll & dollhouse sets (all ethnicities), trains/cars, Playmobil sets

4. BUILDING SETS

Lego/Duplo/Mega Bloks creative blocks, K'Nex, Magnetix

5. BOARD GAMES

Board games and card games for all ages

6. HOUSEWARES

Pots & pans, coffee pots, toasters, dish & glass sets, silverware, utensils, sheets and pillow cases to fit twin and full size beds, kitchen/bath towels, washcloths, retail store gift cards

7. PAJAMAS & SLIPPERS

All sizes for adults, teens, and children (all genders)

8. BATH & BODY ITEMS

Personal care/toiletry gift sets (perfume, make-up, nail/ pedicure, personal grooming kits for men & women)

9. COATS & WARM WEATHER GEAR

All sizes for adults, teens, and children (all genders)

10. CREATIVE HEALING

Coloring books for adults and children, colored pencils, art sets, journals

THE GIFT OF CHOICE

Consider donating gift cards or organizing a **GIFT CARD DRIVE** and give the gift of choice and empowerment. Gift Cards:

- Empower parents to shop for children and children to shop for their family members
- Provide opportunity for survivors to purchase something special for themselves
- Provide opportunity to do something fun as a family

Some suggestions for gift cards include:

- Grocery stores
- Gas stations
- Bus passes
- Retail stores (Walmart, Target), etc.
- Movie gift cards/passes
- Restaurants
- Craft stores
- Shoe stores
- Book stores
- Salon/spa/barber shop certificates

Gift cards help our families with additional expenses throughout the year as well and allow more flexibility for family-specific needs. Gift cards can be **dropped off or mailed** to our Administrative & Outreach Office (address on reverse)

- or -

donate online at <http://bit.ly/2016GiftofChoice> and we will purchase gift cards on your behalf based on our current needs.

DONATION DROP-OFF INFO

Vera House's **HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAM** begins in mid-October and we kindly request donations of **NEW, UNWRAPPED GIFTS** be **DROPPED OFF BY DECEMBER 15TH** to allow time to gather and distribute in time for the holidays. Donations can be dropped off or mailed to:

Vera House Administrative & Outreach Office
Attn: Mildred
6181 Thompson Rd., Ste 100
Syracuse, NY 13206

LARGE/GROUP DONATIONS: Please contact **Mildred** at mwinslow@verahouse.org or **(315) 425-0818 ext 210** to schedule a time to drop off your large/group donation.

FAQS

//My company or community group would like to support Vera House. What do you suggest?

There are many ways to support Vera House, especially during the holidays! Some suggestions are:

- **HOST** a **Holiday Donation or Gift Card Drive** with your company, faith or community group
- **MAKE** a monetary donation
- **GIVE** a gift in honor/memory of someone
- **VOLUNTEER** your time and help Vera House sort holiday gifts. Call or email Mildred at mwinslow@verahouse.org or **(315) 425-0818 ext 210**.

Do you accept gently used items during the holiday season?

No, Vera House directs gently used items during the holidays to the Rescue Mission who provides vouchers so that our clients' needs can be met. Please visit www.cleanthatcloset.org for more information.

Who do I contact if I have additional questions?

For more information regarding our **Holiday Giving Program** please contact **Mildred Winslow** at mwinslow@verahouse.org or **(315) 425-0818 ext 210**.

