VFW Auxiliary, Department of Connecticut "Grateful Hearts Serving Our Veterans" "From Sea to Shining Sea Honoring Veterans Who Keep Us Free" 2025-2026

Veterans & Family Support Newsletter #2

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Stand Down, Friday September 19, 2025

<u>6 Regional Locations - We are looking for items, monetary donations, members to</u> represent us at each location and pass out items.

1. Bridgeport - University of Bridgeport, Wheeler Recreation Center

Site Leader: Eduarda Swilling-Wade

Items requested - toothpaste, toothbrushes, floss, deodorant, socks (mens & womens), tissues, snacks, puzzle books, and pens.

- This site was expecting 300 Veterans last year.
- 2. Bristol St. Gregory CCD Center

Site Leader: Anne Philippon

Items requested - hygiene items, t-shirts, socks, and briefs.

- This site prepares for about 100 Veterans.
- 3. Danbury Danbury War Memorial

Site Leader: Kathy Brundage

Items requested - readers, mini flashlights, socks and snacks (pretzels), toiletries, toothpaste, tissues, soap, shampoo, conditioner, word search books.

4. Norwich - Easter Seals Veterans Rally Point

Site Leader: Virginia Livernoche

Items requested - Puzzle books - word search, sudoku, crossword. Pens, pencils, crayons, adult coloring books. Toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss. Tissues, lip balm. soap, face cloths. Deodorant, hand cream/lotions, hand sanitizer. Individually wrapped snacks, cookies, pretzels, crackers, gum, candy. Socks (new).

5. Rocky Hill - CTDVA Campus

Site Leader: Judy Barnes

Items requested - soap and flashlights

6. Stamford - UCONN Stamford Campus

Site Leader: Kathie Fleischauer

Items requested - puzzle books, pens/pencils, playing cards, chapstick, misc. (all items prepared in a ziplock bag as a packet).

Please send monetary donations to Anne Philippon with a note in the memo.

Thank you for supporting Veterans!