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Iowa Veterans Home to Implement New Donations Policy

Marshalltown, IA – Beginning August 21, 2009, the Iowa Veterans Home (IVH) will implement new rules and policies regarding the donations of property to the Iowa Veterans Home from the general public and service organizations for residents of the Iowa Veterans Home. The Iowa Veterans Home is grateful for the donations that individuals, organizations and businesses contribute to our residents and facility. However, due to recent overwhelming generosity, we find that many of the items we normally request are not needed at this time.

The new policy states that IVH will accept a limited amount of donated items at any given time, based on the availability of space, need, and condition of items. The policy further states that all items must be clean, safe and workable and that IVH may decline any items that do not comply with these guidelines.

If an individual or organization wishes to donate any items to the IVH, they are encouraged to contact the Director of Volunteer Services (Diane Lemker) at 641-753-4406. The Volunteer Services Office maintains a list of needed items and items that will not be accepted.

Donations should be delivered to the Quarter Master, located at the northwest corner of the Malloy Building. Hours for donation delivery are Monday – Friday from 7 am – 3 pm; deliveries outside of the set hours must receive prior approval and must be scheduled through the Volunteer Services Office. These arrangements will then be coordinated with QM, Switchboard, and Security personnel, and/or other affected areas.

Various restrictions apply to donations of property:

- A. Medical Equipment
The Iowa Veterans Home will not accept used medical equipment (e.g. power mobility devices, walkers, canes, beds) due to liability and health regulations.
- B. Electronic Devices
Only new electronic devices will be accepted.
- C. Furniture Items
The Iowa Veterans Home will accept donations of new furniture based on needs. Used furniture items will not be accepted.
- D. Clothing
All clothing for residents should be wash and wear; wool garments and other non-washable clothes are discouraged. Clothing should be delivered in cardboard or plastic totes, and should be washed prior to delivery.

For more information about donating or volunteering, please call 641-753-4406 or visit us on the web at www.iowaveteranshome.org

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