

Providing Comfort & Dignity



Each year the Emergency Departments at Iowa Methodist, Blank Children's, Iowa Lutheran and Methodist West Hospitals care for approximately 200 adult and pediatric victims of sexual assault.

When a victim arrives in the Emergency Departments a dedicated team works together to provide quality, compassionate and consistent care to gather evidence, ensure proper reporting, connect with legal and offer counseling support.

The process to gather information and evidence is physically, and emotionally difficult. Being able to provide dignity during such a difficult time is critically important.

Through the Comfort Care Kit initiative, every victim will have access to items to leave the Emergency Department with dignity. Each Comfort Care Kit will contain soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, comb/brush, hair tie, tissues, notebook and pen, water and snacks, and a new set of clothing.

The Comfort Care Kit not only provides victims with much needed care items, but it is also one more way our community can show care and compassion at a traumatic time in their lives.

TWO WAYS YOU CAN HELP

1. Donate new items.

- Toothpaste
- Soap, Shampoo & Conditioner
- Body lotion | Deodorant | Lip Balm
- Comb/Hairbrush/Hair ties or clips
- Tissues
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Notebooks | Pens | Crayons | Coloring Books | Puzzle Books

2. Make a gift to help purchase items.

- Venmo @ComfortCare-Eagle2021
- Cash or Check. Please make the check payable to "Hunter Essmann - Eagle Scout Project" and send to: UnityPoint Health - Des Moines Foundation
1415 Woodland Avenue, Suite E-200 | Des Moines, IA 50309

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