

## THE POWER OF THE PURSE: A Women's Leadership Council Initiative



Our event will take place from noon to 2pm March 10 at, in our Harrison Ave facing Springfield Service Center on the first floor of 1441 Main Street. Anything we do not distribute that day will go out to women in need in honor of Women's Month. Each purse will contain resource & referral phone numbers, websites, info collected from area agencies.

### WISH LIST for goal of 300 purses:

#### ***Used Purses in Good Condition***

##### **Toiletries**

Lip gloss  
Make up remover towelettes  
Deodorant  
Bars of soap  
Body wash  
Shampoo, conditioner  
Zip loc bags – all sizes  
Comb, brush, hair accessories  
Styling products  
Feminine Hygiene  
Kleenex  
Wipes  
Chapstick  
Hand lotion  
Toothbrush, paste, floss, breath spray, breath mints  
Nail accessories, polish – no nail polish remover please

##### **PPE**

Masks, Hand sanitizer

##### **Comfort**

Wrapped candy, breath mints, gum

##### **Books, Inspiration**

Self help articles, poems, zines, small self help books & magazines – inspiring quotes, laminated on small cards

##### **Stationary & Gadgets**

Flashlight  
Key ring  
Small notebooks, journals, pens, stickers, coupon wallets  
Blank greeting cards  
Stamps  
Items for cel phones

##### **First Aid**

Pain relievers  
Band-aids and ointment  
Small First aid kits

##### **Sewing Kit**

Hotel or travel sewing kits

### **HOW CAN YOU HELP? COLLECT ITEMS; DONATE BAGS; SPREAD THE WORD TO YOUR FRIENDS!**

**If you are planning to purchase anything or start a collection drive, please alert us so we can plan accordingly.** Join us to assemble the purses:

1:30pm – 3:30pm at our Springfield Service Center off of Harrison Avenue, 1441 Main St, Springfield MA – park in the TD Bank Parking Lot and we will validate your parking. Please RSVP for the date(s) you'll help out.

Friday Feb 18    Friday Feb 24    Friday March 4

We will of course be masked while assembling the bags. We need your help collecting one or more categories of items and dropping them off here. Please contact me to arrange so one of us is here to accept. **Contact:** [abuckner@uwpv.org](mailto:abuckner@uwpv.org) or 413 693-0233

**cel 774 413-4190 Thank you, Alice Buckner, Women's Leadership Council staff liaison**

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