## **GFWC GREATER OCALA WOMAN'S CLUB**

## DONATION LIST NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS



➤ Arnette House They provide an emergency youth shelter, family counseling services, & foster care group homes to Marion, Lake, Sumter, Citrus & Hernando Counties. They can use clothing for adults & children 10 to 17 years, toiletries etc.

► Boys/Girls Club of Marion County They accept board games, school supplies, arts & crafts supplies, educational items, sports equipment, chairs and shelving. (No clothing or books)

➤ Camp Boggy Creek This camp offers a unique experience for children with serious illnesses to experience joy and happiness in a camp setting. \$2500 sponsors one camper for one week. (We have donated over 1000 handmade bears and sponsored one child.)

➤ Domestic Violence CASA (Community Action Stops Abuse) CASA Marion is the name of the new entity, and can accommodate up to 24 persons. While there, men and women can receive emergency services and they will be connected to other agencies that can assist them. Its location is secret to protect domestic violence victims from their abusers.

➤ Dress for Success Empowers women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire and development tools to help women thrive in work and life.

► Fort McCoy and Wyomina Park schools Needs: Backpacks and school supplies

► Hands of Mercy Everywhere They provide a safe home for pregnant and parenting teens, supportive housing and girls 13 – 17 at risk of sex trafficking. Additional services include mental health, life skills, spiritual growth and education.

► Interfaith Emergency Services They provide basic needs such as food, clothing, shelter and more for families and individuals. Their Emergency Services- Food, Hygiene and Clothing Distribution serves everyone from low income families, single parents, senior citizens, unemployed individuals, disabled veterans, working poor...

► Kid Central, Inc. They serve foster children and the children's grandparents who are taking care of children as they are aging out of foster care. Needs: Clothing, bedding, food, hygiene products and anything that can be used in a new apartment.

➤ Kimberly's Center for Child Protection This center provides a safe, child-friendly environment for children to talk about their abuse and begin healing. Needs: Clothing, toys, school and art supplies are always needed.

➤ Marion County Memorial Honor Guard These veteran volunteers have participated in over 5,000 military funeral ceremonies since 2001 honoring deceased veterans and currently average 4 memorial services a week. They are all volunteers. They have traveled as far as 800 miles to provide services at Arlington Memorial Cemetery in Arlington, VA. Presently, they are in need of a van after having been rear ended.

➤ Marion Senior Services//Meals on Wheels Provides supportive care services to elderly, disabled, and disadvantaged residents of Marion County. Meals, transit, and in-home support is offered.

➤ Michelle-O-Gram Provides financial assistance to women faith based and men who cannot afford to pay for mammograms.

➤ Ocala First United Methodist Church There are a number of services provided through their Tuesday Ministry Outreach. On Tuesday mornings, showers and the take what you need clothes closet are available. To support their various programs, donations needed include bikes which are refurbished to provide transportation, toiletries/shower kits, tarps, sleeping bags, funds for those securing jobs to purchase work boots and restaurant shoes.

► **Project Hope** A faith based community group to provide solutions for homelessness among women and their dependent children. Needs: Clothing, household goods, detergent, cleaning supplies, towels etc.

➤ Refuge of Hope (ROH) Independent Living A faith based non-profit organization founded in 2023, is a resource home for young adults aging out of the foster care system. These young adults are provided with a safe, fully furnished home, where they will learn the skills needed for life as an adult.

► Royal Queens Women Empowerment Inc. is a non- profit organization that provides support services (e.g., for domestic violence and a safe haven for survivors of domestic violence victims to express their emotions and experiences.

Saving Mercy Corporation Provides affordable housing and case management services to at-risk and vulnerable homeless in a faith-based environment. They provide limited shelter, transitional housing, affordable units, food, hygiene products and more.

➤ SOZO Kids This program is developed and run by the Help Agency of the Forest, Inc. Within the Ocala National Forest are families and children living in abject rural poverty. Recognizing this need, the Help Agency developed SOZO Kids in an attempt to rescue as many families and children as possible. SOZO kids is a sponsorship program that provides the necessary means in helping each child receive FREE food, supplies and access to ALL of the programs and services to help them through their level of poverty. Low income families need food, clothing, shoes, hygiene products etc.

➤ The Ritz Veterans Village/Volunteer of America FL Provides clinical treatment, transitional housing and case management services for homeless veterans. Needs: Clothing, household goods, hygiene products

➤ The ROCK Program The Rock provides essential needs to underprivileged youth in our local community, giving them hope for the future by providing them power in the present. Serves middle & high school students (counseling, food, school supplies, clothing, hygiene products).

