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Remembering County Senior Citizens During the Holidays

Do you know a senior citizen who will be alone for the Holidays? The Commission on Aging can make their holiday season merrier by providing a Holiday gift package. Gift packages may include food, paper products, personal hygiene items and pet supplies. If you know of a Grand Traverse County resident, 60 years of age or older, alone for the Holidays, this program might be for them.

Please call our office at 231-922-4688 or toll free 1-877-686-4688

The GTCOA is seeking donations.

Items needed include:

- Nonperishable food items (Please no expired food items). Canned chicken, tuna fish, canned fruits and vegetables, apple sauce, pudding cups, snack bars, Canned Hearty soups, beef stews, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jelly, Tea and Coffee. 1 minute Oatmeal, macaroni & cheese, rice and noodle side dishes and packaged spaghetti noodles.

- Paper goods, paper towels, Kleenex, toilet paper, flushable wipes and puzzle books.

- Toothpaste, toothbrushes, lip balm, shampoo, conditioner, band aids, body lotion, hand soap and body wash (no perfume or strong scents please)

- Dish soap, laundry detergent

- Flash lights, batteries, rechargeable batteries

- Cat and Dog treats

- Donations are tax deductible, Please make checks payable to Grand Traverse County Commission on Aging, Cash donations are also accepted.

All donations will be accepted through Friday, December 2nd, 2016 at the Commission on Aging office located at 520 W. Front St., Traverse City. Office hours are from 8am until 5pm and (closed for lunch between noon and 1pm)