

In the last month and a half, the gulf coast and the Caribbean have been devastated by three major storms. Many of those affected are Veterans. They came forward in our country's time of need. We, as Sons of the American Revolution, have an opportunity to step forward in their time of need. Below are a few of the VA facilities that can use our assistance in the form of gift cards. **Be sure to state that the gift cards are intended for only those Veterans impacted by the Hurricane. Note that these cards should be listed as Item 5 on the Stark form.**

Patients at the following veterans' facilities were impacted by Hurricane Harvey:

- Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center – Houston, TX
- Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOCs) – Beaumont, Tomball, Conroe, Richmond, Lake Jackson, Texas City & Galveston, TX

These facilities affected by Hurricane Harvey are requesting gift cards in small denominations to stores like: Walmart, Target, HEB Grocery Company, Kroger and gas stations.

Please mail the gift cards to:
Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center
ATTN: Barbra Bell, VSO
2002 Holcombe Blvd
Houston, TX 77030

Patients at the following veterans' facilities were impacted by Hurricane Irma:

- Bay Pines VA Health Care System – Bay Pines, FL
- James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital – Miami, FL
- Miami VA Health Care System – Miami, FL

These facilities affected by Hurricane Irma are requesting gift cards in small denominations to stores like: Walmart, Target, CVS Pharmacy, Publix and gas stations.

Please mail the gift cards directly to the VA center of your choice as shown below:

Bay Pines VA Health Care System
ATTN: Mr. Nathan Witt, VSO
Building 2, Room 105
PO Box 5000 (135)
Bay Pines, FL 33744

James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital
ATTN: Ms. Camilla Thompson, VSO
Main Hospital, 2nd Floor
13000 Bruce B. Downs Blvd.
Tampa, FL 33612

Miami VA Health Care System
ATTN: Voluntary Service Office 546/135
1201 NW 16th Street
Miami, FL 33125

Veterans impacted by Hurricane Maria:

Hurricane Maria has devastated much of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, thereby critically impacting patients served by Veterans facilities in the Caribbean. Due to conditions on the ground, deploying personnel from VISN 8, who are based in Florida, will hand deliver small denomination Visa gift cards to affected veterans. Please mark your package "URGENT" and **state that the items are intended only for Veterans in Puerto Rico, St. Croix and St. Thomas.**

Please mail the gift cards to:
Mr. Victor Ramos
VISN 8 Emergency Manager
VISN 8 Corporate Office
140 Fountain Parkway, Suite 600
St. Petersburg, FL 33716