

*MCV Kiwanis Family Care Center "Shower"*  
*Hosted by Kiwanis Club of West Richmond*

You are invited to an *MCV Kiwanis Family Care Center "Shower"* on **October 19th** hosted by the Kiwanis Club of West Richmond. The meeting will be held in the first floor classroom of Parham Doctors' Hospital (7700 East Parham Road, Richmond, VA 23294). Typical "shower" foods will be provided.

For more than two years, members of Kiwanis Clubs from the Heart of Virginia Region of the Capital District worked to raise \$100,000 to renovate and furnish a family care center at the Virginia Commonwealth University Children's Medical Center. The area offers family members of critically ill children a place where they can feel at home — to watch TV, do laundry, take a moment to relax, or fix a snack without leaving the pediatric floor of the hospital. The *Kiwanis Family Care Center* was dedicated in 2006, but is constantly in need of items to provide for the continuous cycle of visiting families who take advantage of its availability.

In the past year, more changes occurred with VCU Medical Center and Children's Hospital joining together to form **Children's Hospital of Richmond**. Together, they are a full-service children's hospital that offers a robust continuum of pediatric services, research and education. It's a new day for pediatric health care in Virginia. With the merger, the need for supplies and items for the children has drastically increased. Please help us to stock the shelves for the children!!

**2011 Wish List**

**Due to infection control guidelines, all items must be new & unused.  
Toys & other items should be well-known brands for safety reasons.  
Toys from the dollar stores cannot be accepted due to numerous safety recalls.**

- ♥ Lego & Duplo sets
- ♥ **Hasbro** Playdoh
- ♥ Individual Arts & crafts kits
- ♥ Cards (regular & Uno only)
- ♥ **Crayola** markers & crayons
- ♥ Stuffed animals
- ♥ Journals/notebooks, fun pens
- ♥ Basketballs, footballs, soccer balls
- ♥ Fleece blankets & soft throws for all ages
- ♥ Watches & jewelry for teen boys and girls
- ♥ Clothes, pj's & slippers (Birth - Age 18)
- ♥ Imaginary play items (ie. Dress up, food, etc.)
- ♥ Bath & body products, nail polish, make-up kits
- ♥ Rattlers, teethers, stacking rings, Peek-A-Blocks, etc.
- ♥ Cars & Trucks (Hot Wheels, remote control, model kits)
- ♥ Any toys themed with popular characters (ie. Dora, SpongeBob, Bratz)
- ♥ Coloring books, Sticker Books, Mad Libs, Word Searches (no Suduko)
- ♥ Action figures & Barbies (multicultural please, esp. African American dolls!!)
- ♥ Interactive toys for babies & toddlers (Little Tykes, Fisher-Price, LeapFrog)
- ♥ Board games (Connect Four, Sorry, Trouble, Guess Who, Battleship - no Candyland, Chutes & Ladders, or Memory please)
- ♥ Portable cd players & MP3 players (including iPods & iTunes gift cards)
- ♥ Gift cards (Target, Walmart, Game Stop, Joann Fabric, Michaels, etc.)

**Violent toys (ie. Play guns or other weapons) or scary movies cannot be accepted.**

Please start shopping now! Back to school sales are always great to take advantage for this annual event.

**Monetary donations are always accepted and appreciated.**

To RSVP to attend the shower or to arrange for pickup of items, gift cards, or monetary donations, please contact [Judy Hackler at \(804\) 339-4075](#) or [Tracie Grady at \(804\) 305-0322](#). Checks should be made out to "[Child Life](#)."