

Wish List 2022 – 2023

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Recreational & Miscellaneous Items

- Gardening supplies
 - Watering cans
 - Gloves
 - Stakes for plants
 - Sun visors
 - Flower bulbs and seeds
 - Hummingbird feeders
- Word Search & Crossword Books, Activity Books (large print)
- Gift Cards (\$25)
 - 99 cent Store
 - CVS
 - Target
 - Walmart
 - AMC Fandango Tickets
 - Door Dash
- Sunglasses
- Chapstick
- Sunscreen
- Colorful Beaded Eyeglass Holder
- Bluetooth speakers
- Water bottle
- Hand lotions
- Costume Jewelry
- Nail Polish & Remover

Hygiene Products (for men and women)

- Disposable razors
- Shaving cream (facial)
- Spray/Aerosol deodorant
- Aftershave
- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Body wash
- Baby wipes
- Bar soap (Irish Spring, Ivory or Dove...please avoid harsh soaps like Dial or Zest)

Hygiene Products (for men and women)

- Mouth wash (alcohol-free)
- Toothpaste
- Denture adhesive (Poligrip,, Fixodent)
- Denture cleaner (Efferdent)
- Emory Boards/ Nail Files
- Foot Powder

Clothing

- Men's and Women's clothing items

Sponsorships

- Ice Cream Social, Happy Hour, Veterans Day, Valentine's Day Black History, Chinese New Year, Lulu, 4th of July Military Birthday Event, Casino Day, Trivia, Bingo, Get-Well Telegram, Mardi Gras, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Patriot Day, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- Multi-Sensory Room -MCU
- Gazebo
- Artificial Turf
- May High Tea Society

Decorations

- Table cloths – fabric for 8 tables – 3 each of red/white/blue/green/black etc.)

Themed Events

- New Year's Day, President's Day, St. Patrick's Day Easter, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, Christmas Day, Kwanzaa

Outdoor Furniture

- Wayfair - Shellisa Outdoor Metal Patio Rocking Chair with 6.5' Thick Olefin Cushions, Rocking Lawn Chair Steel Frame (6-8 chairs), \$252.99 each as of 8/23/23

Darin Ideas

- Bocce Court
- Fitness Trail
- Landscaping improvements of the courtyards and areas around the Home for recreational use and events as laid out in the Shakesphere proposal.

Event Ideas

- National Go Fishing Day - Well attended past activity among residents, held annually.
- Calvet National Veterans Golden Age Games (travel) - Past home activity: Select 3 residents to demonstrate the value that sports, wellness and fitness help to live an active and healthy lifestyle.
- Love on 4 Paws - “Staple” home resident activity since 2013: Animal assisted therapy visits promote physical, social, emotional or cognitive function.
- Back To The 50’s Car Show/Parade - Popular past event with residents
- National Picnic Month - Promotes physical, social, emotional or cognitive function.
- Annual Military Ball - Gala to honor and thank Soldiers, Veterans and their families for service.

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES:

Nadja Lewis Fitness Instructor – \$40,000

What are you donating? -

- This pays for a full year of Ms. Lewis’ services, which total approximately 50 classes per month!
- \$60 per 30-minute class means you are paying for over 665 of these classes for our Veteran Residents who love Nadja and benefit greatly from her training.
- Nadja works in all areas of the home and with all levels of care.

CALVET – WEST LOS ANGELES

o That's right, these classes are offered to every single veteran and veteran spouse in our entire 396-bed home.

o She is a certified personal trainer with additional certificates as a senior fitness specialist (SFS), brains and balance past 60 specialists, longevity for seniors specialist, and more.

4th of July Carnival – \$10,300-\$11,600

o Amazon order – prizes for Vets (sunglasses, hats, etc.) = \$277.56

o Dunk Tank Rental (Residents get to dunk staff) = \$897.76

o Oriental Trading – Prizes and Decorations = \$486.05

o Bart's Carts – Carnival Tents and Games = \$1,095

o Bob Hope Impersonator = \$1,200

o Vintage Calliope (3 hour minimum) - \$800

o Caricature Artists (3) = \$1455; Balloon Artist = \$470; Stilt Walker = \$1,550 Package discount (-\$150) = \$3325

o Photo Booth = \$400

o USO Style “Andrews Sisters” Pin-Up Singers - \$600

o This price list comes from our 2022 Event. This carnival typically runs 9am-11:30am with another act hired for the afternoon from 1:30pm-3:00pm

o Afternoon Entertainment options are listed below: \$1200-\$2500

Petting Zoo Visit For Vets (They Love This!) - \$755

o Our Residents absolutely love a visit from the petting zoo or reptile and bird vendors we have used over the years. Educational and fun.

Mini-Horse – Therapy Animal (2-Hours) - \$750

o The mini-horse is a big hit with the Vets and visits the front of the home for an hour followed by a visit to our Memory Care Residents for another full hour.

USO Show with Tap Dancers, Full Band, Trio of Singers - \$3850

o This example comes from Veterans Day 2021. The group was fantastic with harmonies, outfit changes, tap dancing, and a large band. A classic USO Show.

Casino Day - \$2435

o This group sets up an entire Vegas-Style Casino out front of the home or in the main lobby and dining room depending on weather. All games are played with free chips and the Vets can win raffle tickets for prizes, coupon booklets for the VA Canteen Store and restaurant, gift cards, and more.

Smokin' Cobras Concert (Rockabilly, 50's Rock) - \$1,500

o This quintet is one we often book for our Valentine's Day Sock Hop. Together with a few classic cars parked out front of the home, these guys get the Veterans in the time-machine and head back to dances of their youth.

Margaret Love and Her Lovettes Concert- \$800

o Margaret and Her all Female Band, The Lovettes, have been a hit with our Vets for years. They are a similar age demographic, they play a lot of songs our residents want to hear, and they are fantastic musicians.

Albert Trepegnier All-Star Band - \$600

o Albert and his band have been playing for the Vets for the past 5-6 years and are always welcomed back. They play rhythm and blues and have also come for special Mardi-Gras events playing New Orleans style funk.

Sitarason – Afro-Cuban Jazz - \$600

o Many of our Veterans love when we bring out different cultures and styles of music. They love to be educated as much as they love to see live entertainment.

Duo or Trio Band - \$500

o We hire from a large pool of vetted local entertainers and our max is typically \$250 per musician per concert for this type of act.

Tropic Starr Concert - \$300

o This group has played for Mother's Day and other events, but also loves to come out and perform in our Memory Care Community.

JustUss Concert (Birthday Party) - \$300

o Brad and Susie make the duo Just Uss who have been performing concerts and monthly birthday parties for our Vets for several years. They do a Sonny and Cher routine along with other classics that our Veterans love. Purchase a show for the residents, or pay for the entertainment for their monthly birthday parties for a few months or even a full year (All residents are invited to all birthday parties even if they weren't born that month).

Solo Performer - \$250

- o Rick Lipp – Solo Piano and Vocals
- o Steven Solomon – Solo Piano and Vocals

Solo Performer - \$150

- o Arnel Mendoza – Solo Piano and Vocals

Red, White, and Blue Balloon Arch and Wreath (Memorial Day/Veterans Day) - \$662.47

Mother's Day Flowers for our Mothers - \$450

o This price came from an order of 33 wrist corsages for our Mother's this past Mother's Day. Along with a photo backdrop, some decorations, and a nice tea party gathering, these flowers made some very special ladies very happy.

Hoe-Down Event (Fall Festival) – \$4990

- Petting zoo - \$755
- Photo Booth - \$500
- Western Decoration Rentals (Wagon wheels, hay, etc.) - \$935
- Bluegrass Band and Country Western Band (Same Vendor) - \$2500
- Assorted Decorations and Prizes (Amazon) - \$300

Luau Event (Typically in August) - \$2740

- Luau Entertainment with 2 Dancers. Full Polynesian revue w/hosting, costume changes, and audience participation + photo opportunities after the show = \$500
- Additional Dancers – 4 = \$800
- Live Island Music for 1.5 hours (3 musicians) = \$900
- 2 Lei Greeters - \$240
- Fire Show Finale – A Fire Knife Spectacular - \$300
- This event is a major hit and if you've ever been to a Luau at a Hawaiian resort this is right up there with the best of them for entertainment. Some years we were able to hire them to have a smaller group put on a show in our Memory Care for the folks who couldn't make it down to the main event.

New Year's Eve Gala Event - \$3,000-\$5,000

- This event typically has a full jazz big-band - \$2,150
- We love to add the Casino Night - \$2435
- Other various decorations and prizes - \$300-\$500

Dodgers Game - \$1700

- 20 tickets at \$70 - \$1400
- Parking for 2 vehicles = \$120
- Taxes and fees = \$180

Disneyland Park (Priced for mid-May '24 weekday) - \$2760

- 20 tier 2 adult tickets at \$134 - \$2680
- Parking for 1 bus = \$45
- Parking for 1 car = \$35

Ronald Regan Library & Museum - \$754

- 15 senior tickets at \$33.95 = \$509.25
- 5 adult tickets (for staff assisting Veterans) at \$36.95 = \$184.75
- Official audio tour (required) at \$3/person = \$60

Huntington Gardens Outing - \$460

- 20 tickets at group rate \$23 - \$460

LACMA Outing - \$382

- 15 LA county senior tickets at \$16 = \$240
- 5 LA county adult tickets (assisting staff) at \$20 = \$100
- 2 Parking spots at \$21 = \$42

Peterson Museum - \$407

- 15 Senior tickets at \$17.95 = \$269.25
- 5 Adult tickets (assisting staff) at \$19.95 = \$99.75
- 2 Parking spots at \$19 = \$38

The Museum of Flying in Santa Monica - \$170

- 15 Senior tickets at \$8 = \$120
- 5 Adult tickets (assisting staff) at \$10 = \$50