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## **Clothing and Household Goods Donation Drive**

PARK RAPIDS, MN (August 31, 2016) – Disabled American Veterans of Minnesota has partnered with Savers to initiate a program in which MN non-profit organizations may participate in a joint clothing and household item donation drive in an effort to generate revenue for community projects, programs and services. CHI St. Joseph's Health Auxiliary has been chosen as the Chapter 38 DAV Fall 2016 participating organization.

If you have clothing and household items that you are planning to donate, please consider donating those items to this event, as CHI St. Joseph's Health Auxiliary and local Chapter 38 DAV will both receive money for your donated goods. Friday and Saturday, September 16th and 17th from 10 am – 5 pm in the ACE Hardware Parking Lot.

The following are acceptable donations: Clothing, shoes, clothing accessories (hats, purses, belts, etc.), bedding and bath items, draperies and curtains, household and home décor, kitchen items and glassware (packaged for transport), toys and sports equipment, small wooden/upholstered furniture (up to 40 lbs.), books, videos, CD's, DVD, lawn and garden items, tools, hardware and home improvement items, holiday decorations and seasonal items. All items/bags/boxes must be light enough for an average person to lift/load into a truck.

For questions on this partnership and/or acceptable donations, please contact Pat Roehl at 218.652.3137.

## About CHI St. Joseph's Health

CHI St. Joseph's Health is a 25-bed critical access hospital serving communities in Hubbard, Becker, Cass and Wadena Counties since 1946. In recent years, CHI St. Joseph's Health's award-winning teams received several national honors including: The Joint Commission Top Performer on Key Quality Measures in surgery: Top 100 Critical Access Hospital, HealthStrong; WomenCertified's America's Best Hospitals Women's Choice Award in obstetrics; and the Studer Group Fire Starter Healthcare Organization of the Month among other national, regional and state recognitions.

## **About CHI**

Catholic Health Initiatives, a nonprofit, faith-based health system formed in 1996 through the consolidation of four Catholic health systems, expresses its mission each day by creating and nurturing healthy communities in the hundreds of sites across the nation where we provide care. The nation's third-largest nonprofit health system, Englewood, Colorado-based CHI operates in 18 states and comprises 103 hospitals, including four academic health centers and major teaching hospitals as well as 30 critical-access facilities; community health-services organizations; accredited nursing colleges; home-health agencies; living communities; and other facilities and services that span the inpatient and outpatient continuum of care. In fiscal year 2015, CHI provided almost \$970 million in charity care and community benefit - an 8% increase over the previous year -- for programs and services for the poor, free clinics, education and research. Charity care and community benefit totaled more than \$1.6 billion with the inclusion of the unpaid costs of Medicare. The health system, which generated operating revenues of \$15.2 billion in fiscal year 2015, has total assets of approximately \$23 billion. Learn more at www.catholichealthinitiatives.org.

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Raised funds jointly benefit Chapter 38 DAV and CHI St. Joseph's Health Auxiliary

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Acceptable Items

Clothing

Accessories: belts, hats, purses, gloves, ties

Shoes

Bedding/bath

Draperies/curtains

Household/ home décor items

Kitchen/glassware

Toys

Sports equipment

Books, videos, DVD's

Lawn/garden items

Tools/hardware

Holiday décor