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GRAND FURNITURE MAKES DONATION OF COMFORT AND SAFETY

Furniture retailer donates much needed twin beds, frames and bedding for victims of abuse

Grand Furniture affirmed its commitment to the community with a generous donation of new twin mattresses, frames and bedding that will offer the victims of domestic violence and human trafficking served by Samaritan House a degree of comfort at a time of crisis.

This donation is important as domestic violence has spiked during the COVID-19 pandemic with more people throughout Hampton Roads seeking shelter to escape abuse. During the March – May timeframe, demand for shelter has risen by nearly 80% and in-kind donations from corporate partners such as Grand Furniture are welcomed and invaluable to the community served by Samaritan House. Our clients, including many children, can now rest safe, free from the terrors of violence.

“We couldn’t be happier with this donation. Having a comfortable bed in a safe shelter is essential to what we do. We are so thankful to Grand Furniture’s generosity,” said Robin Gauthier, Executive Director of Samaritan House.

“As a family-owned, local business, we wanted to find a way to support our community when the COVID-19 crisis started,” said Matt Stein, Vice President of Sales and co-owner of Grand Furniture. “After learning that domestic violence and homelessness had spiked during the stay-at-home order, we knew that by donating mattresses to Samaritan House, we would be helping some of the most vulnerable population during this unprecedented time. We plan to continue on this path for more charitable giving throughout this year and many years to come!”

Samaritan House is grateful for this donation during the COVID-19 crisis and currently has a need for donations of masks, disinfectant, sanitizers, toiletries and new sheet sets (twin and queen). Please contact Edward Hobson, Donation Coordinator at edwardh@samaritanhouseva.org to coordinate a donation.

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ABOUT SAMARITAN HOUSE: The mission of Samaritan House is to foster personal safety, growth and self-sufficiency in adults and their children through freedom from sexual and domestic violence, human trafficking and homelessness. Since 1984, Samaritan House has provided emergency and permanent housing, support services and community outreach to victims of violence, human trafficking and homeless families in the Hampton Roads region of Virginia. For additional information, visit samaritanhouseva.org.

ABOUT GRAND FURNITURE: Founded in 1947, Grand Furniture began as a small, family-owned business with one store in downtown Norfolk. Four generations later, Grand Furniture has five stores in Virginia Beach, Chesapeake, Norfolk, and Newport News, as well as two furniture outlets. Proudly serving the community for 73 years, Grand Furniture stores provide quality home furnishings for an honest value.