



For many of us, these words are endearing and this is a season for reflecting on and celebrating the unique place Moms and Dads and Grandmas and Grandpas can hold in our hearts.

Here at the Center of Hope, we work every day to help break the cycle of poverty and we encounter these family heroes often, many of whom find themselves in need of our services due to tragic circumstances. That is why each year we host Mother's and Father's Day outreaches. In 2023, we gave out over 375 bags filled with toiletries, goodies, and encouragement to show these special individuals they are seen and appreciated. When one of our sweet single moms was given her gift bag last year, she teared up and had difficulty speaking for a moment. Eventually, she was able to tell us, "This is the first Mother's Day gift I've ever received." Unfortunately, we far too often encounter stories like hers where caretakers who sacrificially look after others fail to get any acknowledgement for the daunting task it can be.

Fortunately, you all can help us change that! We are currently collecting new items and financial donations for our Mother's and Father's Day gift bags which will be distributed in May and June.

Please consider donating some of the items listed below or going to [www.victorycoh.org](http://www.victorycoh.org) under the "Donations" tab to make a financial contribution. (Please write "Mother's or Father's Day" in the comments section with your gift.)

Thank you for joining us in making this season special for all!

### [Requested Items for Both Men and Women:](#)

[Shampoo & Conditioner](#)

[Toothbrush/paste](#)

[Hair care-gel/spray](#)

[Body wash/bar soap](#)

[Hair accessories](#)

[Make up kits](#)

[Cologne/aftershave](#)

[Deodorant](#)

[Loofas](#)

[Perfume/body spray](#)

[Wrapped candy](#)

[Small jewelry items](#)

[Nail care/nail polish](#)

[Lotion/creams](#)

[Toiletry bags](#)

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