

Hello Friends of HOND, Board Members and Staff:

As you know, Housing Opportunities of Northern Delaware, Inc. (HOND) is hosting its 3rd Annual Jazz in the House and Silent Auction on Thursday, October 27, 2011 at the Delaware Center of Contemporary Arts, 200 S. Madison Streets, Wilmington 19801. Included in the festivities will be a silent auction. I have been requested to coordinate the silent auction, and will need your assistance in making it successful.

Below are suggestions of items for baskets that can be created for our silent auction which will be part of the Jazz in the House event on October 27. If you have some or all of these things for a theme basket, collectively, we should be able to come up with beautiful and bountiful baskets. Also, if you have extra baskets lying around the house collecting dust, feel free to donate them as well.

If you have a basket, just fill it up with the items and we will decorate it for you. If you don't have a basket, we will provide one.

The items/baskets can be delivered to HOND's office in the Community Services Building by October 14, 2011. If you are unable to deliver the items by that date, please call Gladys or Kathy at @ 302-429-0794.

SUGGESTIONS

Christmas decorations – balls, ribbon, cards, trinkets, etc.

Black Santa Claus Figures; Angels, etc.

Holiday linen (kitchen, bath and dining room)

Linen table clothes and napkins

Books – self-help books, poetry, adventure/romance; African American female writers...

African American Cookbooks – or cookbooks from your traveling experience around the world

Vacation Package: Film (35m color); writing journal, pen, sunglasses, etc

Wine and Cheese Gourmet Basket- bottle of wine (red and/or white) glasses, bottle opener, cheeses, snacks, crackers, etc.

Fitness Basket- sweat bands, towel, hand weights, bands, exercise videos, exercise mat, sweat shirt, etc.

Baby Basket (Boy)- blanket, pacifier, bottles, booties, diapers, bibs, thermometer, Vaseline, etc.

Baby Basket (Girl)- same as above, but in pink

Child's Basket (Boy)-books, toys, mittens, gift card gap, target, stuffed toys, etc

Child's Basket (Girl)- same as above but dolls, girl stuff

Teenager's Basket (Boy)-books, gift card old navy/gap, portable cd player, music gift certificate

Teenager's Basket (Girl)-make-up stuff, hair items, address book, phone cover, music or clothing gift card

Movie Night Basket-popcorn, bowls, movie candy, movie passes, movie book, gift card Blockbuster, etc.

Men's Basket-Razors, ties, cologne, hats, manicure sets, travel stuff, toiletries, etc

Ladies Basket- shower caps, perfume, manicure/pedicure stuff, travel stuff, toiletries, etc

Pamper Basket- bubble bath; massage oils, candles, champagne, glasses, terry cloth robe, slippers, etc.

Chocolate Lover's Basket- Assortment of imported chocolates, fondue set, dessert wine, wine opener, etc.

Sports Fan Basket-Eagles gear (hat, t-shirt, etc.), tickets to a home game, football, etc

Cook's Basket- Kitchen gadgets, cookbooks, apron, chef's hat, spaghetti, sauce, pot

Crafter's Basket-gift card-AC Moore/Michaels, yarn, scrapbook, painting supplies, glue gun, scissors, etc.

Tennis Basket- tennis balls, water bottle, sweat bands, polo shirt, visor, aspirin, Ben-gay, knee brace, etc

Golf Basket- tee's towels, club covers, balls, luggage tags, a round of golf at a country club, etc.

Martini/Cocktails Basket- etc.-glasses, liquor, drink book, bar ware, mixers, glass charms, etc.

Card Party Basket- various decks of cards (straight/pinochle), chips, dominos, note pads, chips, pretzels, etc

Bridge table cloth and napkins