



Valentine's Day is usually a celebration of love, friendship and well-wishes, but for some it is just another day spent in a clinic or hospital receiving cancer treatment. Colleen Anderson was one of these individuals, as she began treatment for ovarian cancer on February 14, 2001. Following that first experience, she decided to provide care packages to adult and pediatric cancer patients who would undergo chemotherapy or radiation treatment on Valentine's Day. From her initial act of love, Project Valentine was born.

Project Valentine is an entirely volunteer, non-profit organization (501c3). Beginning in 2002, each Valentine's Day we've delivered 500-700 care packages to individuals at hospitals and clinics in the Denver Metropolitan area. This year, it is our goal to brighten the day of **more than 700** men, women and children receiving cancer treatment on Valentines Day by hand-delivering gift bags to local chemotherapy centers.

How can you help?

Volunteers are needed to make gifts, sort donations, assemble and deliver the completed bags. Our website has an up-to-date list of crafting dates and locations. The deadline to create and collect all materials is January 30th, 2010. Packages will be assembled on February 6, 2010 and distributed just before Valentine's Day. Items collected after assembly day will be stored and used for next year. Please contact us for more information if you're interested in donating your time. No set time commitment required!

In addition to the service of each volunteer, we rely on donations to fill these treasured gift bags. Items may include: supplies to make cards, cozy socks and scarves, soft hats, bookmarks, decks of cards, crossword puzzle books, unscented hand cream, new paperback books, wrapped candies, coloring books for kids, DVDs for teens - the ideas are endless!

Another option is to make a financial contribution to Project Valentine. These funds are then used to purchase supplemental supplies needed to fill each special bag. Donations can be sent to **P.O. Box 460534, Aurora, CO. 80046**. If you choose to send a monetary contribution, please make checks payable to Corona Presbyterian and write **Project Valentine** in the memo line.

Will you partner with us to touch the lives of hundreds of Colorado cancer patients this Valentine's Day?

Thank you for your consideration! For additional information, please visit www.ProjectValentine.org today.

With heartfelt thanks,

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