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Visit to Vanier Center for Women brings personal care items, as well as books for prison library

Scarborough – On December 7, 2024 The Second Chance Foundation's (TSCF) founder and director Beverly Dwyer made a visit to deliver donations to Vanier Center for Women, Ontario's provincial prison in Milton, as Christmas nears.

Delivered were 30 boxes of personal care packages for inmates and 4 boxes of books for the prison library. Donations are much appreciated by women currently under the supervision of the criminal justice system.

"At the end of the day, the women appreciate these donations and look forward to them being donated for use on release. Through our efforts the organization hopes to bring some Holiday cheers to the incarcerated women this Holiday season.", says Beverley Dwyer, director at The Second Chance Foundation.

"This will make the Comfort Kits for our at-risk women even more special. And considering the time of year this will make a lovely surprise for them.", says Denise Smith, Volunteer Services Coordinator at Vanier Center for Women.

The Vanier Center for Women usually receives donations throughout the year and while the items are only available to women upon release, Christmas season carries its own tensions and joys that The Second Chance Foundation (TSCF) continues to overcome in an effort to support and uphold transitioning of incarcerated and integration of formerly incarcerated women in part of their experience with the law.

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The Second Chance Foundation serves Scarborough, Toronto and GTA area's marginalized, racialized, underhoused, incarcerated, formerly incarcerated women and their children, and women transitioning back into the community from the criminal justice system. Operating since 2017, the organization delivers food security, clothing and other needed items, as well as training, programs and workshops to uphold material, social, cultural, as well as general wellbeing needs.

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