

# **Seeking Gently Used Art Supplies**

**A friend and I bring weekly art sessions to women recovering from drug and alcohol addiction in Oakland. In addition to the weekly art materials we supply for our groups, we give each woman a gift tote bag full of gently used art supplies upon their graduation from the six-month program. Our hope is that if they can continue to access their creativity on their own, their chances of staying sober will increase.**

**The types of materials we are seeking include:**

- **Paper items of all kinds:**
  - **art catalogs/announcements**
  - **used/new greeting cards**
  - **filled sketchbooks**
  - **patterned tissue papers/napkins**
  - **vintage textbooks, dictionaries,**
  - **posters**
  - **advertising tags and labels for clothing, food, beverages**
  - **paper dolls**
  - **old children's books and filled coloring books**
  - **doilies**
  - **old wallpaper books**
- **Coloring materials of all kinds: inks, pencils, small acrylic paints especially metallics, pastels, watercolors, crayons, markers**
- **Rubber stamps and inks**
- **Fabric ribbons/trims**
- **Glitters**
- **Feathers**
- **Scrapbooking materials of all kinds, including punches**
- **Stencils**
- **Brushes of all kinds**
- **Scissors**
- **Metal rulers**
- **Glues for paper and fabric**
- **Electric Glue guns with glue sticks**
- **Fabric tote bags**

**Thank you for considering this request to help save women's lives through sharing your unused art supplies. If you have art supplies to donate or know of someone who might have these kinds of items they are not using, please contact me.**

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