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BASF hosts hygiene drive and builds wheelchair ramp to support local veterans

CHATTANOOGA, TN, March 13, 2023 — BASF's Veterans Employee Team (VETS) held a month-long hygiene drive to benefit local veterans. Chattanooga team members collected towels, washcloths, shampoo, body wash, feminine hygiene products, men's and women's razors, shaving cream, deodorant, toothpaste, over 50 toothbrushes, over 70 packs of body wipes, over 120 travel kits with hygiene necessities, coats, blankets, new clothes, shoes and over 60 pairs of socks. Collection bins were stationed at BASF for employees to donate the items needed. VETS also recently built a wheelchair ramp for a local veteran in need.

"Veterans have put their lives on the line for our protection and security, so it's important to us to be able to give back to them," said Rob Gagliano, Site Director of BASF's Chattanooga facility. "We are grateful to be able to host this drive to benefit the veterans in our Chattanooga community."

BASF also offers tailored resources to ensure veterans are successful. VETS strengthens the bridge between veterans and career opportunities at BASF while helping employees connect with other former military service members.

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- **BASF 1:** (L-R) BASF employees Joey Bowman, Navy co-chair; Keith Gombash, USAF co-chair and Will Reed USAF gathered the donated items from BASF's veterans' hygiene drive for a Veterans Fair in April, the Chattanooga Veteran's Affairs and the Patriot House, a Chattanooga home for veterans experiencing homelessness.
- **BASF 2:** (L-R) BASF employees Greg Brown, BASF Continuous Improvement specialist; Dominick Grosso, BASF ERG Veteran; Keith Gombash, BASF ERG Veteran; Joey Bowman, BASF ERG Veteran; Rob Gagliano, site director at BASF; and John Bennett, BASF lab chemist volunteered to build a handicap ramp for a veteran in need.
- **BASF 3:** BASF Chattanooga also donated a CARE basket to the disabled Veteran, which included an Emergency Weather Radio, a Fire Extinguisher and some warm BASF logo clothes – pictured with Joey Bowman and Keith Gombash.

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