## 2016-17 Lodge Veterans Chair Survey

## We sent an email survey to Lodge Veterans Chairs to learn more about what they accomplished. Here are the results!

Lodges held an average of

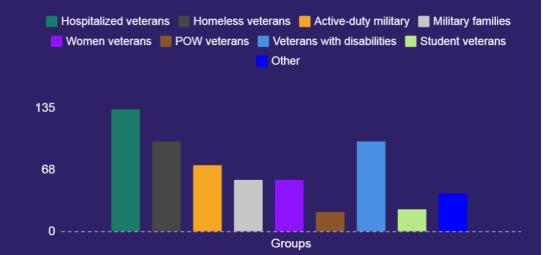


events to serve veterans.

"We help veterans in long-term care facilities."

"We assist veterans transitioning from homelessness to housing."

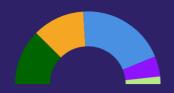
"We support veterans in rehab for addiction." What are the primary veteran groups your Lodge serves?



How easy is it to connect with veterans in need in your community?



"Lodge members are volunteer DAV vehicle drivers who transport veterans to VA hospital appointments and return to their homes."



Do you believe the Elks programs are relevant and serving the needs of today's veterans?

"I'm proud of the Elks and our support for veterans."



## What are the biggest challenges facing veterans in your community?



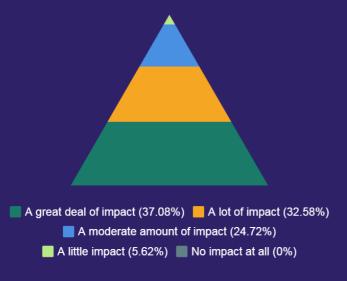
"We sponsor 3 wards at the

VA Medical Center.

"We have a small canteen open three days a week where veterans can enjoy ice cream and snacks."

"We support National Guard veterans who have been in harm's way."

How much of an impact do you feel your work had this year?



"The need is so great and we are so few."

"The problems facing veterans are large and getting larger."

"I would like to see us expand into other areas of need."

Which programs does your Lodge support?



"We held a fishing trip and served lunch for nursing home veterans with disabilities. They said it was the best day of the year."

"Every time I ask for support, the Lodge is always 100% behind it."

" It is a personal honor to be able to serve these veterans, and I'm grateful to all the Elks volunteers for their time and contributions."