

Introducing the 2019 Impact Grant recipient Lodges. This year the ENF awarded 67 Impact Grants. **New projects are marked in purple.**

Skagway, Alaska, Lodge No. 431 will start *Light for Skagway*, a comprehensive health and educational program to help community members dealing with vitamin D deficiency.

Huntsville, Ala., Lodge No. 1648 will expand its school-based project, *Elks and Students, Together We SOAR*, which provides STEM learning opportunities for a local elementary school as well as a school supply support closet.

Holiday Island, Ark., Lodge No. 1042 will start *Fishin' for Veterans' Health!* The Lodge will be taking veterans who struggle with PTSD on fishing trips throughout the year.

Fayetteville-Springdale, Ark., Lodge No. 1987 will continue *Serving Those Who Served Us*, a project that supports veterans who have experienced homelessness.

Kingman, Ariz., Lodge No. 468 will help veterans and their families moving into permanent housing through *Operation Turnkey*. The Lodge will provide vita home supplies and mentorship throughout the year.

Coolidge-Florence, Ariz., Lodge No. 2350 will continue *EFELT (Elks Feeding Empty Little Tummys)*, its weekend meal program for kids in need.

Fresno, Calif., Lodge No. 439 will continue the *Mt. Olympus Challenge*, a school-based program that teaches teens at risk of dropping out the importance of community service.

Santa Monica, Calif., Lodge No. 906 will continue *Operation Veteran Support*, a program designed to help student veterans, as well as the needs of veterans transitioning out of homelessness.

Orange, Calif., Lodge No. 1475 will continue *The Reading Promise!*, a literacy project for students in kindergarten through sixth grade.

Clovis, Calif., Lodge No. 2599 will start a large-scale collaboration, *Homefront Transitional Living*, by developing two playground and social areas for female veterans and their children.

Dover, Del., Lodge No. 1903 will continue *Elks 1903 Pantry* project, which coordinates a mobile pantry for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Tampa, Fla., Lodge No. 708 will continue *Club Chivalry*, a high school based mentoring program.

Fort Pierce, Fla., Lodge No. 1520 will start the *#1520Elks Pantry/Food Backpack* project, a food support project for children in need at three local elementary schools.

Vero Beach, Fla., Lodge No. 1774 will continue *Kids of Character*, a program that supports a local elementary school with uniforms and a weekly incentive store for good behavior.

Florida Keys, Fla., Lodge No. 1872 will continue *Vets on the Water*, a program that provides outings for veterans with disabilities.

Largo, Fla., Lodge No. 2159 will start the *Liberty Manor Support* project, an initiative to help update and create a healthy, inviting living space for residents of Liberty Manor, a home for veterans experiencing homelessness.

Brandon, Fla., Lodge No. 2383 will continue *Bags of Brotherly Love for The Homeless*, a program that provides material support to individuals experiencing homelessness.

Zephyrhills, Fla., Lodge No. 2731 will expand its *Feed the Kids* program, a free summer lunch and literacy program for kids.

Great Pine Island, Fla., Lodge No. 2781 will start the *Elks Senior Housing Partnership* project, which will help elderly residents in need stay in their homes safely with home updates, ramps and hurricane preparedness support.

Lake Okeechobee, Fla., Lodge No. 2871 will start the *Veterans Stand Down* project. The Lodge will be the driving force and organizer of quarterly Stand Downs for veterans in need and veterans experiencing homelessness.

Cartersville, Ga., Lodge No. 1969 will continue *Project Safe Harbor*, which is designed to support the food and material needs of a local homeless shelter.

Lake Oconee, Ga., Lodge No. 2849 will continue *Reaching out to Our Vets*, a program that provides residents at a local home for veterans with outings and social opportunities.

Moscow, Idaho, Lodge No. 249 will sustain their project *Fly Fishing: Therapeutic Techniques for PTSD*, which provides fly fishing and other opportunities to student veterans.

Caldwell, Idaho, Lodge No. 1448 will continue the *Elks Care about Foster Care* project, which supports children in the foster care system.

Elmhurst, Ill., Lodge No. 1531 will continue *Elks Giving Families a Hand Up for Hygiene*, a program that provides vital non-food items to local food pantry clients.

Salem, Ill., Lodge No. 1678 will continue their project *Hungry Hearts*, a school-based backpack and literacy program.

Vincennes, Ind., Lodge No. 291 will expand its project, *Preparing for Family Residency in a New Life After Meth* transition apartment, which will help furnish and support a facility that caters to community members struggling with methamphetamine addiction.

Augusta, Maine, Lodge No. 964 will continue the *Augusta Youth Elks Mentoring Project*, which matches Lodge members and mentees from the Boys and Girls Club.

Washington DC-Rockville, Md., Lodge No. 15 will augment its *Elks Fill in the Gaps for Vets* program, which provides material support and social activities to veterans transitioning from homelessness.

Laurel, Md., Lodge No. 2283 will help residents of Nick's Place, a drug recovery living facility for males ages 20-24, with acclimation and graduation support through their *We've Got Your 6* project.

Tawas Area, Mich., Lodge No. 2525 will continue *Alternative Educational Academy (AEA)* of *Iosco County*, a mentoring program for youth.

Winona, Minn., Lodge No. 327 will continue *HCO Respite Care Integration Project*, a project designed to give a much-needed upgrade to a local respite care facility for adults with disabilities.

Brainerd, Minn., Lodge No. 615 will continue year two of the *Mark Munson Memorial School of Rock and Open Mic Venue*, a summer camp-based music program for at-risk teens.

Bemidji, Minn., Lodge No. 1052 will continue *Healthy Kids, Bright Future*, a gardening program in conjunction with the Boys and Girls Club.

Hopkins, Minn., Lodge No. 2221 will continue *Teaming Up for Teens*, a support program for teens experiencing homelessness.

Grand Island, Neb., Lodge No. 604 will continue *Grand Island Lodge Food Pantry for Victory Apartments*, which provides critical items to veterans transitioning from homelessness.

Las Vegas, N.M., Lodge No. 408 will start their *Healthy and Happy Kids* project, which will support children facing food insecurity at home with weekend food and support for their extra-curricular activities.

Lordsburg, N.M., Lodge No. 1813 will continue *Educate, Learn, Know, Succeed*, a mentoring, literacy and GED prep program for young adults in need.

Lockport, N.Y., Lodge No. 41 will continue to run *Camp Happiness* for children and young adults with disabilities.

Saratoga-Wilton, N.Y., Lodge No. 161 will help seniors in their community facing food insecurity through their *Seniors in Need Food Delivery Program*.

Laughlin, Nev., Lodge No. 2872 will continue its reading literacy program, *Read to Succeed*.

Hickory, N.C., Lodge No. 1654 will continue the *Helping Hands* project, which provides meals to a soup kitchen.

Morganton, N.C., Lodge No. 1852 will continue *End Hunger on Weekends*, which feeds students experiencing food insecurity at home.

El Reno, Okla., Lodge No. 743 will begin *Veterans Mobile Resource Unit*, a trailer equipped to provide needed supplies and support to veterans in crisis.

Wagoner, Okla., Lodge No. 2838 will expand *Operation Educate and Feed*, a monthly meal program for families in need at a local apartment complex.

Coos Bay, Ore., Lodge No. 1160 will continue to reach out to children in need with the *Weekend Share Bear Snack Pack* project.

Independence, Ore., Lodge No. 1950 will keep up their *New Beginnings Boxes*, a project designed to support veterans experiencing homelessness.

Erie, Pa., Lodge No. 67 will start *Comfort Care 4 Vets (CC4V)*, a project dedicated to providing hygiene items and other non-food essentials to veterans in need through the Erie VA Medical Center.

Allegheny, Pa., Lodge No. 339 will continue the *Yellow Glove Project*, which fills the gap food stamps leave behind for local families.

Bristol County, R.I., Lodge No. 1860 will continue *East Bay Cares*, a food and supply project for area food pantries and other social service organizations.

South Kingston, R.I., Lodge No. 1899 will continue to help local seniors, families in need and individuals with disabilities care for their homes through the *Home Maintenance and Repair Assistance* project.

Pendleton, S.C., Lodge No. 2861 will continue with *On a Mission*, a series of summer events and trips for teens in need.

Johnson City, Tenn., Lodge No. 825 will continue *Boxes of Love*, a support program designed to help families taking on foster children.

Elizabethon, Tenn., Lodge No. 1847 will start their *Food for Families* project, a community garden dedicated to teaching the children of Appalachia how to grow and sustain their own food source.

El Paso, Texas, Lodge No. 187 will continue *TTP Community Outreach Campaign*, a program designed to raise awareness for and package/distribute hygiene items to local nonprofits serving families in need. This program will also include a high school service hour component.

Beaumont, Texas, Lodge No. 311 will start *Elks Preparing Boys for Tomorrow*, a project dedicated to providing an eating and meeting facility for Boys Haven, a shelter for boys in need.

Plainview, Texas, Lodge No. 1175 will sustain the *Elks 1175 Center*, a facility meant to be a safe, temporary space for veterans transitioning out of homelessness to stay and receive services.

Mc Allen, Texas, Lodge No. 1402 will continue the *Elks Enrichment Programs for Youth*, a series of summer camps for youth in need.

Kerrville, Texas, Lodge No. 2081 will continue to support community members with mental illness through the *Bridging the Gap* project.

New Braunfels, Texas, Lodge No. 2279 will continue *Elks Food Impact Project*, a program designed to provide mobile food pantries to communities hit hardest by Hurricane Harvey.

St. George 'Dixie,' Utah, Lodge No. 1743 will continue to reach out to three groups of students in need with the *Youth in Crisis* project.

Waynesboro, Va., Lodge No. 2279 will renovate and update a local Boys and Girls Club and help with programming through their *Elks Make a Difference for Kids* project.

Port Townsend, Wash., Lodge No. 317 will continue to support the *Elks 317 Supply Shop* to fill the immediate needs of homeless in their community.

Everett, Wash., Lodge No. 479 will continue the *Elks In-V.E.S.T.* project, which is designed to support veterans in need at Sebastian's House.

Wheeling, W.V., Lodge No. 28 will continue to ensure Wednesday nights at the soup kitchen are family friendly with the *Just for Kids* project.

Huntington, W.V., Lodge No. 313 will support *Golden Girls Group Home* with hygiene supplies and life-skills programming for the girls at the Golden Girls Therapeutic Group Home.

Oshkosh, Wis., Lodge No. 292 will continue to run the *Feed, Read & Arts Program*, an after-school activity for local children.

The Elks National Foundation helps Lodges serve their communities in significant and ongoing ways by awarding Impact Grants of up to \$10,000. Any Lodge can apply for these competitive grants. To find out more about Impact Grants and the Community Investments Program, visit www.elks.org/cip.