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## **ELKS NATIONAL VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION**

### **“NOVEMBER IS ELKS VETERANS REMEMBRANCE MONTH”**

Chicago, IL, October 25th, 2022: In an effort to recognize and support our nation’s veterans, Elks National President Bruce Hidley has proclaimed November to be Veterans Remembrance Month. This month, we urge all Americans to join the Elks in service to the veterans in your community.

For Elks, service to veterans is a year-round commitment. Last year, the Elks’ nationwide support of veterans, including time, in-kind and fiscal donations, totaled more than \$39 million.

Every day, Elks volunteer at VA Medical Centers and health clinics across the country to provide support for veterans seeking care. Elks members at hundreds of Lodges across the country step in to provide veterans exiting homelessness with beds, home supplies and food to establish their new homes. Every month, Elks plan events, donate supplies and offer friendship to residents of State Veterans Homes across the country.

Elks members band together with community groups like food pantries and clothing companies to provide hot meals and warm winter clothing to veterans at resource fairs and veterans Stand Downs. Elks members donate to provide emergency assistance to help veterans and their families prevent homelessness and stay safely housed.

We recently heard from such a newly housed veteran in Los Angeles, who received Elks assistance with a security deposit.

“I wish to express my overwhelming gratitude and thanks to you. I can’t completely put into words how it feels to have a beautiful secure place to live and to know that there are people in the world like you and everyone you work with, who are concerned about the rest of us and are taking action to ensure their well-being.”

If you’d like to learn more and to join us in service, visit *Join.Elks.Org*.