

## 2022 New Impact Grant Recipients

**St. Louis, Mo., Lodge No. 9** will set students up to take flight after high school through a mentor program at a charter school that will introduce students to various career paths through *The SOAR Program: Lifting At-Risk High Schoolers to New Heights*.

**Chattanooga, Tenn., Lodge No. 91** will help veterans stay safe and warm in their homes by assisting with home repairs through its project, *Home Sweet Home*.

**Newport, R.I., Lodge No. 104** will meet needs not addressed by WIC or SNAP through the food pantry by providing incontinence products, specialty diet foods, and other hygiene-related items to families in need through *DIGNITY*.

**Saratoga-Wilton, N.Y., Lodge No. 161** plans to protect some of its most vulnerable citizens through programming aimed at preventing domestic violence and will provide support to survivors through *Engaging and Supporting Our Community to End Relationship Abuse and Sexual Assault*.

**Redlands, Calif., Lodge No. 583** will fill a void that is often overlooked and will serve as positive role models for family survivors of domestic violence by providing entertainment and necessary supplies through *Elks Standing in the Gap for Single Moms*.

**Hackensack, N.J., Lodge No. 658** will expand upon past Spotlight Grants to support family literacy and utilization of library programs through *Hackensack Elks Little Library Operation*, or *HELLO, Boxes*.

**Cheyenne, Wyo., Lodge No. 660** will be our first ever Wyoming Impact Grantee with *Operation Brotherly Love*, which will provide meals, support and resources to people experiencing homelessness in their community.

**Lake Hopatcong, N.J., Lodge No. 782** will use its namesake natural resource to develop local environmental sustainability by teaching students from low-income families the importance of water and lake ecology through *Lake Hopatcong Elks Floating Classroom*.

**Ballard (Seattle), Wash., Lodge No. 827** will construct and operate community gardens at two homeless shelters while providing cooking and nutrition classes to residents in *Jubilee Community Gardens*.

**Augusta, Maine, Lodge No. 964** will give high school students an edge when it comes to career choice with Elks serving as mentors to teach essential job skills and cultivate potential career paths through the *Edge Program*.

**Santa Maria, Calif., Lodge No. 1538** will host *Veteran Stand Downs & Lunches* to serve as a place for veterans to socialize, eat, receive supplies, and obtain information on services provided at the local, state and federal level.

**Ames, Iowa, Lodge No. 1626** will bring the community together through its project, *oneames*, providing biweekly events to connect people experiencing homelessness with the community at large through educational programming and medical assistance.

**Grangeville, Idaho, Lodge No. 1825** will decrease food waste through *Feed the Need*, providing a variety of classes on food preservation, such as canning, food dehydration, wild game processing and jerky making.

**Hackettstown, N.J., Lodge No. 2331** will work with the local Hispanic community to provide youth enrichment programs, translation services, and adult ESL resources through *Conexiones Hispanas*, or *Hispanic Connections*.

