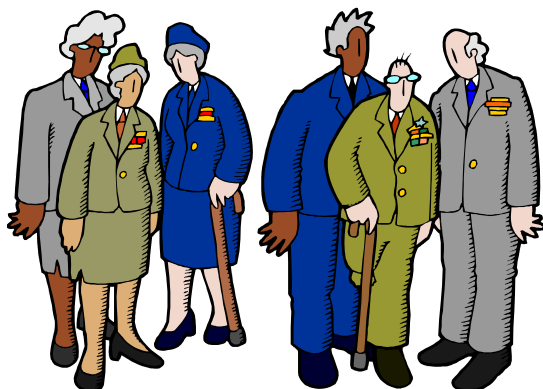


Two Virginia Lodges get Freedom Grants for Veterans Projects



Freedom Grants are \$2,000 grants available to the first 75 Lodges that apply to serve veterans or active duty military personnel in their Lodge community. Freedom Grants are awarded to individual Lodges which submit well crafted proposals to support veterans and our active military. Two Virginia Lodges, Richmond 45 and Onancock 1766, received Freedom Grants. Richmond 45 will take local veterans on two bus trips to Washington, DC to the Vietnam Wall and the World War II Memorial and to a Washington Redskins Football Game. The Vietnam Wall and WW II Memorial trips will be scheduled in January and the football trip will be in October. Lodge members will accompany the vets on both of these trips. Onancock 1766 will provide dinner, bingo, and gifts for 227 local veterans living in rural area with little to do and little family contact.

The other 73 Lodges with type of Veteran's Events are: New Orleans, LA, 30, Homeless Veterans; Lima, OH, 54, Christmas Gifts; Mansfield, OH, 56, Army of Hope/Homeless Veterans; Birmingham, AL, 79, Homeless Veterans; Seattle, WA, 92, Homeless Veterans; Ft. Worth, TX, 124, Wounded Warriors; Galveston, TX, 126, Army of Hope; Lafayette, IN, 143, Dinner; Greenville, MS, 148, Dinner; Lansing, MI, 196, Homeless Veterans; Stockton, CA, 218, Homeless Veterans; Ohio River Valley, OH, 231, Army of Hope; Middletown, OH, 257, Holiday dinner/Food baskets; Poughkeepsie, NY, 275, Holiday Dinner/Supplies; Walla Walla, WA, 287, Army of Hope/Homeless Veterans; Boise, ID, 310, Hospital Supply; Las Vegas, NM, 408, Army of Hope/Program for females; Winston-Salem, NC, 449, Christmas Gifts/Army of Hope; Everett, WA, 479, Christmas Gifts; Belleville, IL, 481, Army of Hope/Dinner; Miles City, MT, 537, Army of Hope Dinner/Dinner for Local Veterans; Nevada, NV, 564, Army of Hope Dinner/Dinner for Local Veterans; Derby, CT, 571, Food delivery to local veterans; Santa Barbara, CA, 613, Homeless Veterans; Nashua, NH, 720, Homeless Veterans; Bessemer, AL, 721, Christmas; Winfield, KS, 732, Hospital Supply; Wilson, NC, 840, Dinner; Kaukauna, WI, 962, Gifts for hospitalized veterans/Hospital supply/Honor flight; Rock Island, IL, 980, Food and dinners; Rocky Mount, NC, 1038, Army of Hope; Fayetteville, NC, 1081, Food and gifts at veterans facilities; St. Petersburg, FL, 1224, Homeless Veterans/Veterans picnic; Chicago North Shore, IL, 1316, Holiday Dinner at VA/Hospital supply; Alhambra/San Gabriel, CA, 1328, Army of Hope; Catskill, NY, 1341, Meals/Gifts; Martinsville, IN, 1349, Dinner/Army of Hope; Las Vegas, NV, 1468, Homeless Veterans; Orange, CA, 1475, Homeless Veterans; Kelso/Longview, WA, 1482, Meal/Army of Hope/Other; Ticonderoga, NY, 1494, Meal/Other; Lowville, NY, 1605, Meal/Army of Hope; Hendersonville, NC, 1616, Outing; Sanford, NC, 1679, Meal/Army of Hope; Auburn, CA, 1691, Meal at Hospital/Gifts; Shelby, NC, 1709, Meal; Plymouth, MI, 1780, Homeless Veterans/Meal at Hospital; Cartersville, GA, 1969, Army of Hope; Kerrville, TX, 2081, Outing ; Clayton, NJ, 2132, Meal; Wheaton, IL, 2258, Gifts for hospitalized veterans/Homeless Veterans; Clear Lake (Kemah), TX, 2322, Outing/Meal; Arcadia Valley (Arcadia), MO, 2330, Meal/Gifts; Kern River Valley, CA, 2358, Army of Hope; Oak Harbor, WA, 2362, Army of Hope/Meal; Vernal, UT, 2375, Gifts/Hospital Supply; Lake Havasu City, AZ, 2399, Honor Flight/Gifts; Poplar Bluff, MO, 2452, VA Hospital/Meals; Edison, NJ, 2487, Meals at Veterans Homes; Lake Taneycomo, MO, 2597, Meal/Army of Hope; Orange Park, FL, 2605, USO; Katy, TX, 2628, Meals/Gifts; Eureka-Pacific, MO, 2644, Army of Hope/Meals; Jackson, MO, 2652, Meal at veterans Home/Army of Hope Meal/Wreaths; Novato, CA, 2655, Outing; Calabash, NC, 2679, Meal at Hospital/Welcome Home; Marion County, AL, 2684, Meal/Gifts; Santee, CA, 2698, Meal/Gifts/Army of Hope; Golden, CO, 2740, Homeless Veterans; Tri-Cities, WA, 2755, Homeless Veterans; Pahrump, NV, 2796, Army of Hope/Gifts ; Little River, SC, 2840, Outing/Gifts; Sahuarita, AZ, 2851, Meal/Gifts.