



*West Virginia Veterans Nursing Facility
One Freedoms Way
Clarksburg WV 26301*

January 7, 2016

Attention: Veteran Service Organizations
Subject: Resident Benefit Fund, WV Veterans Nursing Facility

Gentlemen:

November 10th, 2005 was the original dedication date of the West Virginia Veterans Nursing Facility. Many of you were here to commemorate West Virginia's first state veterans home. It's hard to believe that we've been in business for 10 years! I thank you for creating this haven for our veteran residents and for the economic impact you have made on our region.

We've been on an "even keel" for some time now. Our census has been above 85% for years (we are currently at 95%), and we now offer competitive wages for most positions. We received 98% and 93% Overall Satisfied ratings for the last two years representing just under 100 families and veteran residents surveyed.

There is an area where you could volunteer to help our veteran residents. It is regarding the Resident Benefit Fund. This fund is used primarily to routinely send veterans to movies, dinners, theaters, parks, parades, festivals and other special events. We have a fleet of vehicles to send them in and support staff to ensure they are safe and well cared for. But this fund is dwindling.

If your organization would like to volunteer to contribute to this fund, I'm sure the residents would appreciate it. The decisions on how to spend the funds lie solely in the arms of the Resident Council. They decide how to spend the money. If you have any questions, you may contact Jodie Everson, Supervisor II, or Shelia Adams, Business Manager, at: (304) 626-1600.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our veterans.

With my deepest appreciation,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kevin Crickard".

Dr. Kevin Crickard,
Administrator