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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

## Minnesota Veterans 4 Veterans Trust Fund (V4V) approved Three Grants to assist Minnesota Veterans

At the November 2017 Minnesota Veterans 4 Veterans Trust fund monthly meeting, the following grants were awarded by the eightmember board of directors for a total of \$40,500.00.

**Nation Eagle Watch Inc,** was awarded \$2,500.00 to support annual emotionally and psychologically therapeutic live eagle outreach programs at the VA Hospital MPLS. This grant will assist in making four visits per year to four units on each visit. These benefits serve the patients at the VA Community Living Center, Inpatient Mental Health Ward, Adult Daycare and Partial Psychiatry Hospitalization Ward.

**Eagles Healing Nest,** was awarded \$5000.00 to provide housing for US Military veterans. This grant will be used for the renovation of the buildings to be used for US Military veterans housing. One cottage will be dedicated to women veterans with two other for male veterans. This Anoka Campus will serve a minimum of 75 veterans with the potential to go beyond that number to 100+. Other funding sources for the Campus is being provided by hundreds of individuals, corporations, organizations, and institutions.

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**Disabled American Veterans of Minnesota Inc,** was awarded \$33,000.00 for the Minnesota Veteran Outdoor Programs. These funds are for a year's annual costs specifically for housing required by veteran participants going to the four outdoor programs, The Ely fishing Trip, The Turkey Hunt, The Trolling for Troops Program, and the Disabled Veterans Deer Hunt to be held at Camp Ripley.

The Minnesota Veterans 4 Veterans (V4V) Trust Fund is a 501c (19) non-profit organization established as the result of the 2006 sale of Lake Minnetonka Big Island Disabled Veterans Camp. The non-profit organization has eight board members, two veterans each who are appointed by the DAV, VFW, MOPH, and American Legion. The board oversees the funds from the sale of the island to the City of Orono and has a grant application process on their website. Grants are made to organizations serving MN veterans in a way that conforms to the criteria the V4V has documented online at their website.....Website: mnv4v.org

To learn more about the history of the Big Island Veterans Camp see: <a href="http://editiondigital.net/display">http://editiondigital.net/display</a> article.php?id=431873

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