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*The goal of the Commander's project is to provide 10,000 various arts & crafts kits to our hospitalized Veterans. Through the assistance of the Sons of AMVETS and the AMVETS Family, we can make this happen.*

*Daniel K. Briggs*



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# VETERANS ARTS & CRAFTS (VAC)



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# About Veterans Arts & Crafts



One veteran that I'd been sending crafts to for years is a sweet story. He was homebound due to an immune disorder that made it difficult for him to fight any germs he came into contact with. This gentleman enjoyed doing home repairs and woodworking, but was no longer able due to decreased use of his hands from another disease. He was also a nature lover and was especially fond of making the birdhouses and birdfeeders, because his wife would hang them outside and he could then continue to enjoy them and the birds from his window. He would send pictures of the crafts to me from time to time but I no longer have them. And since he could not get out to shop, he enjoyed making some of the crafts as Christmas/birthday gifts for his family.

Benefits of making birdhouses/bird feeders for this gentleman were:

- A sense of pride;
- A sense of task accomplishment;

- Productive use of his leisure time using tools he used to use in home repairs;
- Helping him restore his previous hobby of woodworking;
- Enjoying nature from the inside (by bringing birds closer to his window) ;
- Restored his ability to give to others (making them as gifts to family)

This is good therapy. And this is just one of many stories of veterans benefiting from this program.

*Sandy Turvey*

Recreation Specialist / Rehabilitation Care Line  
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## Q&A

*How will my donation be used?*

Your gift will be used to provide various arts & craft kits to our veterans both hospitalized and VA nursing home residents.

*Do the veterans enjoy the kits?*

Many veterans will build birdhouses, make leather wallets and other items to be given as gifts to family and friends. The crafts keep their hands active and their minds alert, while empowering them as they create a useful item.

*What percentage of my donation is used to purchase arts & crafts?*

Every dollar donated to the project will be used to purchase art supplies and craft kits. All other expenses related the Veterans Arts & Crafts projects are covered by the National Sons of AMVETS.

*How will the proceeds be distributed to the Veterans?*

You may request your contribution to be designated to a select VA facility. Simply add your request to the donation form or include a note with your donation.