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## From the Desk of the President

Dear Members & Friends,

This past year was like no other. I know none of us imagined being in a global pandemic.

In 2020, life as we knew it was put on hold as we made our way through these unusual and trying time's we did however accomplish many things and here are a few highlights:

- ◆ We teamed up with the Elks Lodge #1468 and the Palio Crew for our Adopt-A-Vet Program. While lines were long for emergency food banks, grocery stores were running out of everything, and our list for veterans in need more than doubled we bagged groceries, hygiene kits and facemasks and delivered these products to over 100 veteran's homes in the valley every month.
- ◆ In lieu of in person adaptive sporting events we provided links to virtual events such as yoga, air guns, biking, nutrition classes, book club and so much more to promote health and wellness.
- ◆ Paralympic Kids Program - During the holidays we delivered turkeys, groceries, hygiene kits and Christmas gifts to over 50 families with special needs children and their siblings.
- ◆ Rural Nevada PVA members in need received monthly gift cards for food.
- ◆ Buddy Checks – Nevada PVA board members contact each Nevada PVA member throughout the year to see how they were doing and if they needed anything.
- ◆ United Way "A Day of Caring" teamed us up with JP Morgan & Chase and they volunteered for not just a day but months helping us set up our first virtual 5k.

Nevada PVA is a strong leader in our veteran community. We are committed to improving the quality of life for veterans with spinal cord injury/dysfunction and the disabled community. We have a great rapport and have regular zoom meetings with the VA Director & Staff ensuring that our veterans are getting the quality healthcare and benefits they have earned. We are blessed to have been able to be there for so many this past year. We are going strong, and the future looks bright.

- ◆ We fight for all veterans.
- ◆ We advocate for quality healthcare and decent benefits.
- ◆ We push to make America accessible.
- ◆ We empower veterans with the tools they need to secure good careers.
- ◆ We promote and provide adaptive sports opportunities.
- ◆ We deliver our services to all veterans FREE of charge, thanks to the support of our donors.
- ◆ We provide basic needs to veterans in need.

You can count on Nevada PVA to serve you and to make your lives better every day. Thank you to all of our members, donors, and volunteers for supporting Nevada PVA.

Sincerely,

Dan Kaminski, President

# Program Overview

## Fundraising

Nevada PVA is an IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization. We receive no federal funding or federal grant support. We receive approximately 40% of our funding from National PVA and the rest through various fundraising events and grants to help support the programs and services we provide to our members. Fundraising activities include, Grant writing, CFC campaigns, Vehicle Donation Program, NV Energy Foundation, MGM Foundation, the Engelstad Foundation and community events and community support, etc.

## Hospital Liaison

The Chapter Service Office, Chapter staff and Chapter representatives have regular meeting with the VA staff and the Director of the medical center to discuss and address issues that require attention. We keep an active working relationship with the VA Directors and staff at both the Southern Nevada VA Medical Center and the Reno VA Medical Center. It is our goal to maintain a presence at both facilities to ensure the highest quality of care for our members and the veteran community at large.

## SCI Clinic

The Chapter works with the VA Medical Center staff at the Southern Nevada VA Medical Center as well as the VA Medical Center in Reno to ensure that our members are receiving the services they require. Staffing at both hospitals consists of a Physician, Nurse, Social Worker and various other therapists on staff which ensures that our members receive the best care possible. Our Wellness Program at the Southern Nevada VA this year has been put on hold but we are hoping to restart it next year with meetings and outings.

## Advocacy/Legislation

Our Chapter Advocacy/Legislative Director's attended ,via Zoom, the PVA Advocacy and Legislation seminar and met with all Nevada Congressional Representatives to outline PVA's stand on important issues, such as Veterans benefits, healthcare and the Independent Budget. They also monitor Nevada State Legislation for any issues that may pertain to disabled veterans. The Chapter also works closely with both state and federal representatives to support legislation to benefit veterans and the disabled community at large and various members of our board attend Town Hall and Roundtable discussions. We have a close working relationship with our representatives and their Veteran Liaison's in Southern and Northern Nevada.

## Other program services Research and Education Support:

Nevada PVA supports research and education by outside organizations and partners who are seeking various treatments for SCI.



# Program Overview

## Sports, Recreation and Wellness Programs:

Nevada PVA's focus is on the health and wellness of veterans with spinal cord injury and disease (SCI/D). Over the years, Nevada PVA has become the leading provider of adaptive sports, recreation and wellness programs for veterans with SCI/D. Our program includes the following services:

### (a) Step Outside

Step Outside enables the veterans to get out of their home and take part in their community.

### (b) Adopt-A-Vet

Adopt-A-Vet provides for the basic needs for veterans. During 2020 we delivered 29,00 pounds of food and fresh produce totaling 33,516 meals. We also supplied 1,800 hygiene kits and numerous bags and boxes of clothing. We have grown this into a year round program, serving over 100 veterans every month, which includes not only our members but veterans in need throughout our community.

### (c) Sports (for rehabilitation therapy)

During the year we encouraged our members to participate in a the virtual sports and recreation events to that PVA National sponsored in order to keep fit and well We posted on our website all the events and monthly calendars, as well as sending out emails to our membership.

### (d) Paralympic Kids

During the pandemic we did not participate in any of the camps or sporting activities of the Paralympic Kids Program. We did, however, manage at Christmas with the help of volunteers to deliver groceries, toys, turkeys and gifts to 50 Paralympic kids' families.

## Outreach and Education

We have a bi-monthly newsletter and bi-monthly E-news updates, these are sent out to our members, fellow chapters, and spinal cord clinics. We also have social media (Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and You Tube), which we use for outreach and education. We provide support to veterans and their families as well as our spinal cord nurses and social worker at both hospitals, through our education scholarships. Nevada PVA participates in numerous community outreach events including the Veterans Service Fair and veteran's health fairs, which were put on hold in 2020

## Liaison and Service:

The Nevada Chapter of Paralyzed Veterans of America will use our unique expertise to ensure quality healthcare, expand opportunities and enhance the quality of life for veterans and all people with spinal cord injury and disease. We accomplish this through VA liaison services.

In FY 2020 we made 3,235 contacts, with a total of \$3,158,884 in retroactive payments and \$1,605,375 in annual payments with an overall combined total of \$4,764,261 earned for our veterans.



## FY 2020 Donors

Donations, regardless of the size, helps Nevada PVA care for paralyzed veterans and continue to serve them in the areas of service such as Sports, Recreation and Wellness, Outreach & Education, Liaison & Advocacy Service.

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## THE YEAR IN PICTURES



**NEVADA PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2020**

Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$431,813
Certificates of deposit	-
Accounts receivable, net	9,806
Investments	1,154,426
Inventory	1,600
Prepaid expenses	<u>7,440</u>
Total current assets	1,605,085
Net property and equipment	<u>273,889</u>
Total assets	<u>1,878,974</u>

Liabilities and net assets

Liabilities

Accounts payable	4,420
Accrued payroll	-
Accrued PTO	<u>14,638</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>19,058</u>
Total liabilities	19,058

Net assets

Net assets without donor restrictions, not designated	1,635,600
Board-designated	148,846
Net assets with donor restrictions	<u>75,470</u>
Total net assets	<u>1,859,916</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$1,878,974</u>





**NEVADA PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

	Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	Total
<u>Revenue and other support</u>			
PVA Grants	\$148,382	\$	\$148,382
Fundraising	75,317		75,317
Contributions	56,142	42,750	98,892
Donated items	1,600		1,600
Investment income (loss), net	131,387		131,387
PPP loan forgiveness	24,533		24,533
Other	9,807		9,807
Net assets released from restrictions	<u>46,856</u>	<u>( 46,856)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total revenue and other support	<u>494,024</u>	<u>(4,106)</u>	<u>489,918</u>
<u>Expense</u>			
<u>Program services</u>			
Advocacy, liaison & service	150,592		150,592
Sports & recreation	41,536		41,536
Communication	37,709		37,709
Membership	<u>34,014</u>		<u>34,014</u>
Total program services	263,851		263,851
<u>Supporting services</u>			
General and administrative	41,336		41,336
Fundraising	<u>44,244</u>		<u>44,244</u>
Total expense	<u>349,431</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>349,431</u>
Change in net assets	144,593	(4,106)	140,487
Net assets, beginning of period	<u>1,639,853</u>	79,576	<u>1,719,429</u>
Net assets, end of period	\$1,784,446	\$75,470	\$1,859,916



**NEVADA PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020**

<u>Cash flows from operating activities</u>	
Change in net assets	\$140,487
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities	
Depreciation	34,322
In-Kind donations capitalized as inventory	16,283
In-Kind donations of fixed assets	-
(Gain) loss on investments	(131,387)
 <u>Changes in operating assets and liabilities</u>	
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable	( 7,917)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	( 870)
Increase (decrease) accounts payable	( 975)
Increase (decrease) in payroll accruals	<u>(2,160)</u>
 Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>47,783</u>
 <u>Cash flows from investing activities</u>	
Cash received from maturity of certificates of deposit	226,005
Cash paid for certificates of deposit	-
Cash received from interest and dividends, net of reinvestment	(178,295)
Cash received from sale of investments	-
Cash paid for investments	-
 Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	47,710
 Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	95,493
 Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	<u>336,318</u>
 Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$ 431,811</u>



## *In Memoriam*

*To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die. –*

*Thomas Campbell*

Alan Britton  
Thomas Bracamonte  
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