



Knights of Columbus
Ohio District 3 & Columbus Diocese Chapter
Veterans Program
Serving Those Who Served



Ohio District 3 nominates members to serve as VAVS Representative and VAVS Deputy Representatives. The nominated Knights must have a background check by the VA and then must be approved by Chillicothe VA for Chillicothe and Chalmers P. Wylie VA for the Columbus VA Clinic.

The VAVS Representative or VAVS Deputy Representatives must attend three meetings, per year, at the Chillicothe VA and three meetings, per year, at Chalmers P. Wylie VA Clinic.

The VAVS Representative or VAVS Deputy Representatives must meet with Chalmers P. Wylie and the Chillicothe VA once a year to review the "VAVS Summary of Annual Joint Review". The report must be sent to Ohio District 3 Master and the Vice Supreme Master.

The VAVS Representative or VAVS Deputy Representatives must complete the "Department of Veterans Affairs Diversional Activity Worksheet" form for all activities or donations involving occasional volunteers at Chalmers P. Wylie and the Chillicothe VA.

The VAVS Representative or VAVS Deputy Representatives must complete the "Department of Veterans Affairs Donation" form for all activities or donations at Chalmers P. Wylie and the Chillicothe VA.

Chalmers P. Wylie and the Chillicothe VA issues "Temporary Receipt for Funds". The receipts must be kept for five years.

(NOTE: to be determined who is responsible for storage)

Knights of Columbus program sponsored events are reviewed at the quarterly VAVS meeting and must be approved by the Voluntary Services Chief or Voluntary Service Specialist.

The VAVS Representative or VAVS Deputy Representatives are VOC Volunteers accepted in the VAVS program and considered VOC employees.

Occasional Volunteers are those individuals serving under the VAVS Program who do not meet the requirements of RS volunteers. Individuals frequently volunteer with a group or organization on an occasional basis.

Chalmers P. Wylie and Chillicothe VA volunteers are required to have the COVID 19 vaccination documentation or have an exemption in place, "VA form 10230c" by August 1, 2022.

The VA renamed the program to "Center for Development & Civil Engagement" June 2022.

Donations to the VA:

Gift cards must be donated to the Voluntary Services Chief or Voluntary Service Specialist and designated how they are to be distributed.

Parties for the veterans living at Chillicothe VA.

Cash donations are made to Voluntary Services Chief or Voluntary Service Specialist. The Voluntary Services Chief or Voluntary Service Specialist will issue a purchase order to the restaurant or vendor to supply the food or service.

Patriot Bucks are purchased by the Knights and given to Voluntary Services Chief, Voluntary Service Specialist or Rec Therapy to be given to the Veterans.

Liability:

The Vice Supreme Master Edward Ponder, of Fr. Hennepin Province advised SK Duane Lord, Ohio District 3 Master to inform the VA Chairman, Edward Brand that we are not covered by liability insurance.

The Knights of Columbus, Greater Columbus Chapter is reviewing the liability policy.

The Knights listed as VAVS Representative or VAVS Deputy Representatives are covered as VOC Volunteers accepted in the VAVS program and considered VOC employees.

The Knights classified as Occasional Volunteers are covered on Chillicothe VA property only.

The Knights participating in events, supported by the VA, such as Stand Down, Columbus Zoo, Blood Drive and Gatekeeper are not covered by liability insurance.

Funds:

The funds are held by the Knights of Columbus, Greater Columbus Chapter and deposited in the VA Account.

The funds come from Council, collected by Knights of Columbus, Greater Columbus Chapter and deposited in the VA account.

The funds come from Assemblies, collected by Knights of Columbus Ohio District 3 Master, and deposited in the Knights of Columbus, Greater Columbus Chapter VA Account.

Funds from a private individual are deposited in the Knights of Columbus, Greater Columbus Chapter VA Account. A receipt will be issued by the treasure and a thank you letter sent to the donor. Donor funds can only be used for projects specified by the donor.

Approval for events can come from the VA advisory committee, K of C Greater Columbus Chapter or Ohio District 3.

Funds will be dispensed for approved events.
Seed money will be issued to individuals or organizations obtaining items for the events.

Budget:

The budget will be presented under new business at the July meeting and posted on the web. Reviewed under old business in August and voted on at the Septembers meeting.

Thank You
God Bless

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