

Department Project 2019-2020

The Department Project for 2019-2020 is a joint project as it will encompass funds from The American Legion Department of NJ, American Legion Auxiliary Department of NJ and the SAL Department of NJ, and private donations from individuals or corporations.

The purpose of this joint project is to facilitate the care of our veterans in our State Homes and Veteran Havens.

The goal for this project is estimated to be \$115,000.

Detailed below are the Wish List from DMAVA:

- 1) An AWD Vehicle for Veterans Haven North for transportation to local train stations, local bus stops, Glen Gardner Post Office, Hunterdon County Library, Clinton Shopping Plaza (Walmart, ShopRite). Total \$37,000.00
- 2) Ice Machine for Veterans Haven North \$5,200.00.
Total Estimate for Veterans Haven North is \$42,200.
- 3) Vineland – Replacement of the fountains, waterfall and landscaping at the facility. The waterfalls and fountains will provide a soothing effect for the patients at Vineland. Total projected cost: \$36,673.01
- 4) BG William Doyle Cemetery – Telephone and Answering Machine Updates for the Cemetery Office. This telephone system will bring accuracy to the facility when families contact the cemetery for arrangements for burial. Cost \$21,185.74
- 5) Paramus – Sensory Cart for stimulating the patients in the patient units. Cost is \$6,669.00. The Sensory Cart will project “Colored Lights” onto a background that will provide a soothing effect for patients in the wards. A Pinball Machine (The Elvis) \$6,499.00, for entertainment purposes.
Total Estimate for Paramus is \$13,168.
- 6) Menlo Park – Is in need of games such as an Air Hockey Table estimated at \$500.00 and a Pool Table for \$1,100.00.
Total Estimate for Menlo Park is \$1,600.

This is a realistic target for the 2019-2020 Department Project for our veterans who are in our facilities throughout the state. I only hope that we can exceed our totals and purchase additional items for these facilities that remain on the DMAVA Wish lists.