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Nevada Chapter

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**2022**

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## From the Desk of the President

On January 8, 2023, NV PVA President Daniel Kaminski passed away. Mr. Kaminski was our longest running president of 10 years and a founding member. We cannot begin to thank him enough for his leadership, all the great programs he helped to develop and all the veterans he helped to improve their quality of life throughout his tenure.

My report reflects all this great work accomplished by Mr. Kaminski, myself, the board of directors and staff during 2022.

Adopt-A-Vet Program is strong and constantly growing. We delivered groceries, hygiene kits, and household cleaning supplies to over 100 veterans each month as well as provide bus passes and clothing when needed. During the holiday season we served over 200 veterans.

Adaptive Sports to help enhance the health and wellness of our veterans. Our wheelchair bowling team has been going strong. We also had veterans take part in Rugby, Trapshooting, Air Rifles, National Veterans Wheelchair Games, Reno Military Sports Camp, 3-day Northern Nevada Retreat, and Fishing. Our annual Walk, Run & Roll 5k is not only an event to promote PVA Awareness Month but to raise funds to support Adaptive Sports.

Paralympic Kids Sports Program – We partner with the City of Las Vegas and the Clark County School District for the Paralympic Kids Sports activity nights. These events help special needs children, and their siblings play various adaptive sports, enhance their health and wellness, strengthen family bonds, and build a community network for the families. We hosted a BBQ and Holiday party which included basic needs for 89 families, toys for all special needs children and their siblings.

Rural Nevada PVA members in need received monthly gift cards to purchase basic needs.

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. They also inform them of upcoming events and programs we have.

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 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.

# Program Overview

## **Fundraising**

Nevada PVA is an IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization. We receive no federal funding or federal grant support. The staff, Board of Directors, Advisory Committee and volunteers assist Nevada PVA with fundraising events throughout the year. Fundraisers held during this past year include: Walk, Run & Roll 5K, Trapshoot, Car Donation Program, Grants from PVA, NV Energy Foundation, Southwest Gas, Raiders Foundation and various businesses and community support.

## **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 is up and running virtually for the time being.

## **Advocacy/Legislation**

Our Chapter Advocacy/Legislative Director's attended 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 spinal cord injuries and spinal cord diseases. 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 2022 we delivered over 29,00 pounds of food and fresh produce totaling 36,120 meals. We also supplied 2,100 hygiene kits and numerous bags and 30 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. We also supplied 400 bus passes

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

During the year we encouraged our members to participate bowling, trapshooting, rugby, handcycling, Military Sports Camp, National Veterans Wheelchair Games, and our 3-day Northern Nevada Wellness Retreat.

### (d) Paralympic Kid

We sponsored a BBQ after one of their sporting events. We partner with the City of Las Vegas and the Clark County School District for the Paralympic Kids Sports activity nights. These events help special needs children, and their siblings play various adaptive sports, enhance their health and wellness, strengthen family bonds, and build a community network for the families. We hosted a BBQ and Holiday party which included basic needs for 89 families, toys for all special needs children and their siblings.

## 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 YouTube), 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.

## 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 2022 we made 1,728 contacts, with a total of \$2,484,380 in retroactive payments and \$1,233,718 in annual payments with an overall combined total of \$3,718,096 in total benefits paid to our veterans.



## **FY 2022 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.

### **Corporate & Foundation Donors**

America's Charities	Kendra Scott LLC	MZLZ Family Giving Fund
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\*Names listed represent donors who gave a total of \$100 or more to Nevada PVA in 2022





# 2022 in Pictures



**NEVADA PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2022**

Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$420,070
Accounts receivable, net	12,169
Investments	1,080,120
Inventory	2,800
Prepaid expenses	<u>10,830</u>
Total current assets	1,525,989
Net property and equipment	<u>211,390</u>
Total assets	<u>1,737,379</u>

Liabilities and net assets

Liabilities

Accounts payable	14,607
Accrued Compensation	16,143
Deferred revenue	<u>12,555</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>43,305</u>
Total liabilities	43,305

Net assets

Net assets without donor restrictions, not designated	1,416,313
Board-designated	134,046
Net assets with donor restrictions	<u>143,715</u>
Total net assets	<u>1,694,074</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$1,737,379</u>





**NEVADA PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

	Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	Total
<u>Revenue and other support</u>			
PVA Grants	\$147,846	\$	\$147,846
Fundraising	44,578		44,578
Contributions	80,223	114,014	194,237
Donated items	10,300		10,300
Investment income (loss), net	(171,615)		(171,615)
Other	2,271		2,271
Net assets released from restrictions	<u>47,228</u>	<u>(47,228)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total revenue and other support	<u>160,831</u>	<u>66,786</u>	<u>227,617</u>
<u>Expense</u>			
<u>Program services</u>			
Advocacy, liaison & service	197,110		197,110
Sports & recreation	75,129		75,129
Communication	38,975		38,975
Membership	<u>62,828</u>		<u>62,828</u>
Total program services	374,042		374,042
<u>Supporting services</u>			
General and administrative	38,762		38,762
Fundraising	<u>42,134</u>		<u>42,134</u>
Total expense	<u>454,938</u>	<u>        </u>	<u>454,938</u>
Change in net assets	(294,107)	66,783	(227,321)
Net assets, beginning of period	<u>1,844,466</u>	76,929	<u>1,921,395</u>
Net assets, end of period	\$1,550,359	\$143,715	\$1,694,074



**NEVADA PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022**

<u>Cash flows from operating activities</u>	
Change in net assets	\$(227,321)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities	
Depreciation	34,322
In-Kind donations capitalized as inventory	(900)
(Gain) loss on investments	171,615
 <u>Changes in operating assets and liabilities</u>	
(Increase) decrease in:	
Accounts Receivable	4,260
Prepaid Expenses	(2,287)
Increase (Decrease) in:	
Accounts Payable	4,248
Payroll Accruals	1,263
Deferred Revenue	<u>12,555</u>
Net cash provided used in operating activities	<u>(2,245)</u>
 <u>Cash flows from investing activities</u>	
Purchase of fixed assets	(6,145)
Cash received from interest and dividends, net of reinvestment	<u>15,192</u>
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Net cash provided by investing activities	9,047
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	6,802
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	<u>413,268</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	<u>\$ 420,070</u>
Cash paid for interest	\$ -



## *In Memoriam*

*Death leaves a heartache no one can heal*

*Love leaves a memory no one can steal*

*Michael Stern*

*Don Phillips*

*Lowell Nigley*

*Robert Frederick*

*James Dickson*

*Douglas Nagoshi*

*Robert Kaufman*

*Roger Dowty*

*Maxwell Horikawa*



*Daniel A. Kaminski*

1956-2023

While we are mourning the loss of you, others are re-  
joicing to meet you at the gates of Heaven.



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