



**NEWS RELEASE**  
Nevada Department of Veterans Services  
"SERVING NEVADA'S HEROES"

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**Washoe County Sheriff's Office Brings Holiday Joy and Gifts  
to Residents of Northern Nevada State Veterans Home**

(Sparks, Nev.) – The Washoe County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) is providing a little extra help for Santa and bringing holiday cheer to residents of the Northern Nevada State Veterans Home (NNSVH). On Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, members of the northern Nevada law enforcement agency dropped off gifts at the home, collected through the agency's *Operation Gift-A-Vet* program.

The *Operation Gift-A-Vet* program ensures holiday wishes and dreams come true for NNSVH residents. Through the program, residents were asked to make a holiday "wish list," which was submitted to the WCSO. The resident's desires, along with the resident's name, were placed on ornaments that adorned a Christmas Tree at the Sheriff's Office on Parr Boulevard in Reno. WCSO deputies and staff were able to select a gift ornament off the tree to provide up to three items, or all three items, that the resident placed on their "wish list."

The gift-wrapped items will be opened at the home's planned Christmas parties during the week leading up to Christmas Day.

"We sincerely thank the men and women of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for their generosity and thoughtfulness," said Director Kat Miller, Nevada Department of Veterans Services. "Not only are the gifts greatly appreciated, but the gesture demonstrates to our residents they are not forgotten this holiday and their service and sacrifice will always be honored."

**About the Northern Nevada State Veterans Home (NNSVH)**

NNSVH is a 96-bed facility that provides short-term rehabilitation, long-term care, and memory care. Located at 36 Battle Born Way in Sparks, Nevada, NNSVH is overseen by the Nevada Department of Veterans Services (NDVS) and is operated by Avalon Health Care Management. NDVS is dedicated to helping Nevada veterans obtain the services and benefits they have earned through military service. In addition to offering benefits counseling and assistance, which includes assistance with filing VA claims at no cost, NDVS manages the Northern and Southern Nevada State Veterans Homes and the Northern and Southern Veterans Memorial Cemeteries. Donations to NNSVH may be made online and are used to enhance the lives of veterans and spouses living at the home.

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**Photo Attached - Captions**

1. WCSO Chief Deputy Jeff Clark with WWII veteran Sheldon Beigel
2. Sheriff Support Specialist Supervisor Salina Eastwood
3. Donated gifts through WCSO *Operation Gift-A-Vet*
4. Group photo includes members of the WCSO and NNSVH

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