SPECIAL NOTICE: VOLUNTARY DONATIONS NEEDED

The following message was approved for publishing here by the F.A.R.C.E. President & members present at our monthly meeting on 10/05/22.



FRANK-KD6HOO

Frank, is one of the founding members of F.A.R.C.E., a Vietnam Veteran and a member of the **VFW** & **American Legion** organizations. Roughly eight years ago, **Frank** & his wife created a service to assist other veterans, especially previously unhoused veterans who were being placed in housing and in need of furniture and other household goods. On their own, and initally without any other help, and through word of mouth, the two of them began accepting donated household items, storing it and then delivering it when informed by the VA and other Veteran's Organizations of the need to deliver it to a veteran and his/her family to their location at no cost to the veteran.

Over the years there have been a few other volunteers who have stepped forward to provide help in picking up donations, taking those to storage facilities rented by **Frank** and his wife, and assisting in delivering the goods when needed. The hours providing this service and the cost of transporting the goods have been borne by Frank and his volunteers themselves with no reimbursement expected.

Without much success **Frank** has tried many times over the years to get the VA, various Veterans organizations, and Sacramento County and City officials to help fund the increasing storage costs and/or provide a free storage facility for the goods. **Frank** and his wife have been self-funding the costs of all this themselves. At one time they were paying for as many as nine storage units, but costs have risen so high they have had to reduce those units now to six costing them over \$1,600/month.

A few years ago **Frank**'s **American Legion Legislative Action Post 861** became aware of his voluntary service to veterans and created a sub-account within the Post bank account into which others could make tax deductable donations from which **Frank** could then request funds to help defray some of the costs of providing storage for the donated household furniture and other goods that would help newly housed veterans. The Post 861 Furniture Fund is in desperate need of monetary donations to assist Frank in keeping his vital service to veterans going.

To make a tax deductable donation for this purpose, Make your check out to **American Legion Post 861** with "**For the Vets Furniture Fund**" in the remarks area on the check. Send your check to: American Legion Post 861, P.O. Box 601536, Sacramento, CA 95860-1536. On behalf of **Frank** and all veterans, God bless you and thank you very much.