



**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS  
VA Maine Healthcare System  
1 VA Center  
Augusta, ME 04330**

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Dear Elks,

Thank you so much for your ongoing support of Maine's Veterans, and especially those who are homeless. This year VA Maine is once again participating in the VA2K Walk and roll event on May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016. The Augusta lodge has been involved with this event since its inception several years ago, contributing to tens of thousands of donated needed new items, gift cards and cash to the VA Maine homeless program. They have approached me about possible support from other Maine Elks Lodges. The VA2K committee has put together the following items, if your lodges would like to participate:

- VA2K introductory letter
- Collection box – to collect NEW household items to share with homeless Veterans moving into housing.
- VA2K household items wish list
- VA2K donation form to be completed with **EACH** donation & taped to the donation,
- Colorful flyers to decorate your box with

**Not included, but encouraged:**

- Wrap / decorate your collection box in RED /WHITE / BLUE !!
- Packing tape to put your box together
- Invite your local community (Elks Members, churches, families, Veterans, community businesses ) to join us at one of the VA2K walk and roll events across Maine.
- Copy our flyers and post to help get the word out
- Call the VA2K local contact to see how you can help support the event in your area (volunteer, PR, etc.)

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