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**Nevada HAND's Affordable Assisted Living Communities Host We Honor Veterans Ceremony**  
*Resident veterans and spouses were presented with pins and Quilts of Valor® for their service*

**LAS VEGAS** – In honor of Veterans Day, Nevada HAND partnered with CompassionCare Hospice, Valor Quilters of Nevada, and the Nevada Department of Veteran Services to host We Honor Veterans ceremonies to recognize veterans living at their two assisted living communities: Silver Sky and Silver Sky at Deer Springs.

Veterans who reside at Nevada HAND's HAND Senior Living communities were celebrated by friends, families, and neighbors as they received a special pin, certificate, and Quilt of Valor® for their service. A Quilt of Valor® (QOV) is a quality, handmade quilt that is machine or hand-quilted. It is awarded to a Service Member or Veteran who has been touched by war.

A Quilt of Valor is a treasured symbol of the nation's gratitude for many residents, like Joseph McNeal at Silver Sky at Deer Springs. Drafted into the United States army while in college, Joseph says that he is proud of the time he served because it gave him self-confidence and a will to succeed. "My Quilt of Valor is so special to me," he said at the ceremony. "It's too beautiful to use so I now have it framed in my home for everyone to see."





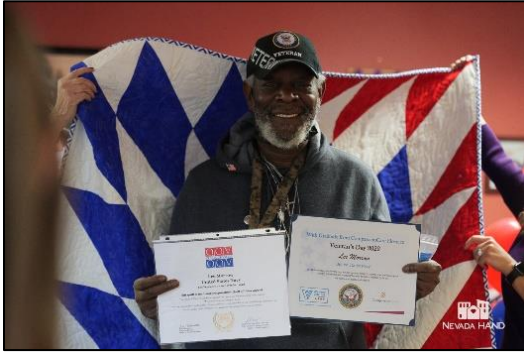
*Additional photos of the ceremonies may be viewed [HERE](#).*

For many, the title of Veteran holds a variety of meanings. David Stickles, Silver Sky resident and veteran, who served as a Marine Corps Sargent, said, “[Veteran] means honor, country, and family. The Marine Corps is one big family. It instills honor and patriotism in you.”

CompassionCare Hospice is a long-time partner of Nevada HAND’s HAND Senior Living ensuring and providing premium comfort and care to the nonprofit’s most vulnerable residents through an interdisciplinary team approach that understands, respects, and meets individual needs. CompassionCare Hospice is a proud We Honor Veterans participant in the Las Vegas and Reno communities offering an exceptional We Honor Veterans Program, as their personal thank you to the heroes who have so bravely defended our country.

Julie McIntosh, CompassionCare Hospice’s Director of Education and Community Relations, presented each veteran with their special pin, certificate, and Quilt of Valor®. “I am very proud to be part of an organization that is committed to serving our nation’s heroes and providing them with the honor and recognition they deserve,” she said. “While we host ceremonies throughout the year, Veterans Day is a special time set aside to thank and honor all those who served, in war or peacetime. It gives us the chance to join together as a community to show our gratitude and appreciation. For our team, there is nothing better than seeing the smiles on their face and tears in their eyes as they receive their recognition, get wrapped in their beautiful quilts, and are welcomed home. It is truly a privilege to be in the presence of these men and women who so willingly sacrificed for our great nation.”





In addition to the veterans who were honored at the ceremonies, spouses and loved ones of veterans were also recognized for their dedication and support. Proud wives and mothers shared the branch their veterans served and briefly told the career stories of their loved ones.

In total, 27 veterans and 16 spouses were honored during the ceremonies. To recognize their efforts for connecting veterans with the community, the Nevada Department of Veteran Services awarded Silver Sky and Silver Sky at Deer Springs a Certificate of Appreciation.

As Southern Nevada's nonprofit leader in affordable housing, Nevada HAND not only strives to provide residents with more than a place to live by offering life-enriching Resident Services to every resident but also by offering affordable rents that cost an average of \$733 per month. The nonprofit also ensures that residents' homes are modern, efficient, and accessible for any family or senior residents' needs.

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### **About Nevada HAND**

Since 1993, Nevada HAND has provided affordable housing and supportive services to low-income individuals. Nevada HAND is the state's largest nonprofit 501(c)(3) and is dedicated to the financing, development, construction, and management of high-quality affordable homes. With 35 affordable communities in Southern Nevada, including the only two affordable assisted living facilities in the state, Nevada HAND serves more than 8,000 seniors and families every day. Nevada HAND's affordable apartment communities are coupled with life-enriching Resident Services. Our support helps residents climb the ladder of success and provides them with the opportunity to access resources and programming for financial stability, education, health and wellness, and community engagement. For more information about Nevada HAND, visit [nevadahand.org](http://nevadahand.org).

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### **About Nevada HAND's Resident Services**

Nevada HAND's Resident Services is founded on four pillars: Education, Health & Wellness, Financial Stability, and Community Engagement. Resident Services Coordinators meet one-on-one with residents to

assess their needs and connect them with critical resources, programming, and information that offer them social, financial, educational, and health-related benefits.

**About CompassionCare Hospice's Mission**

CompassionCare Hospice is a nurse-driven organization, which means registered nurses are at the leadership helm of the company, placing patient safety and satisfaction at the forefront. Our RN Case Managers have substantially lower patient-to-nurse ratios than other hospices in the county and the industry as a whole. We believe our work is so vitally important that nurses should not be rushed during their visits and should have ample time to address every patient's need or concern. For more information, visit [compassioncarenevada.com](http://compassioncarenevada.com)