



Mission

KOVAR is a Virginia Knights of Columbus charity established in 1971 to provide financial assistance through grants and home loans to tax exempt organizations providing training and assistance to intellectually disabled citizens in the Commonwealth of Virginia

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Southwest Virginia.

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KOVAR Tidbits for the Southwest Region

Covering councils

in

Districts 23-26



The Independent Charities Seal of Excellence is awarded to the members of Independent Charities of America and Local Independent Charities of America that have, upon rigorous independent review, been able to certify, document, and demonstrate on an annual basis that they meet the highest standards of public accountability, program effectiveness, and cost effectiveness. These standards include those required by the US Government for inclusion in the Combined Federal Campaign, probably the most exclusive fund drive in the world. Of the 1,000,000 charities operating in the United States today, it is estimated that fewer than 50,000, or 5 percent, meet or exceed these standards, and, of those, fewer than 2,000 have been awarded this Seal.

KOVAR Programs

Home Loans – interest free loan program to assist in the purchase of group homes.

Transportation - 20% funding to assist in purchasing vehicles.

Group Home Furnishings – including living room, bedroom, dining room, kitchen, common area and recreational center furniture for clients.

Training Programs – funding for training and equipment for sheltered workshops, which provide jobs for persons with mental retardation, thereby providing pride in accomplishment and a means to earn wage for our very special friends.

Startup Programs – grants to establish new and innovative programs.

Special Olympics – KOVAR is a Platinum Sponsor of the Virginia Special Olympics, donating over \$50,000 a year.



Special Olympics
Virginia

ORGANIZATION	PURPOSE	CITY	AMOUNT
Rockbridge Area Occupational Center, Inc	Purchase Chairs, Hand Trucks And Remodel Restrooms.	Buena Vista	\$ 7,125.00
Lynchburg College	Scholarship Program	Lynchburg	\$10,000.00
Vector Industries Inc	Renovation Phase I Of A Donated Building	Waynesboro	\$20,000.00
Rockbridge Area Occupational Center, Inc	Fund New Program And Purchase Exercise Bicycle	Buena Vista	\$ 1,854.00
Piedmont Community Services	Furnish Group Home	Martinsville	\$ 9,400.00
W.C Ham Center Inc	Upgrade HVAC System	Martinsville	\$16,812.00
Arc Blue Ridge Mtns Inc	Furnish Group	Lynchburg	\$25,000.00
Astride With Pride	Offset Cost Of Riding Lessons	Bedford	\$ 2,000.00
Rush Homes	Repair/Update 1957 Group Home	Lynchburg	\$ 5,335.00
ORGANIZATION	PURPOSE	CITY	AMOUNT
New River Valley Com Svc	Programs At Group Homes	Blacksburg	\$ 2,136.00
Rock Bridge Area Com Svc	Van Purchase/Sound System	Beuna Vista	\$ 1,798.00
Rockbridge Area Occupatinal Ctr	Forklift And Wire Machine	Beuna Vista	\$23,500.00
L'Arche Blue Ridge Mtn	Furniture To Establish Group Home	Lynchburg	\$25,000.00
Dare To Care Charities	Furnish Lounge For 8 Person Group Home	Blue Ridge	\$11,077.00
Lynchburg College	Scholarship Fund Special Education Teacher	Lynchburg	\$10,000.00
Harvard Homes	Furnish Lounge For 8 Person Group Home	Waynesboro	\$18,278.00
Camp Virginia Jaycees , Inc	Build Climbing Wall	Blue Ridge	\$25,000.00
Danvillepittsylvania Community Services	Furnish Living Areas Of Group Home	Danville	\$15,000.00
Goodwill Industries Of Valley- Southern Division	Production Equipment	Rocky Mount	\$12,433.00
Mount Rogers Csb -Youth Services	Purchase Supplies For Three Summer Camps	Wytheville	\$ 4,325.00
Vector Industries	Refurbish Bldg C lot Create New Jobs	Waynesboro	\$14,706.00
Piedmont Community Services	Dental Care	Martinsville	\$10,653.00
Prebyterian Homes And Family Serivecs	Purchase New Furniture	Lynchburg	\$ 5,672.20
ORGANIZATION	PURPOSE	CITY	AMOUNT
M.T. Sorrell, Inc	Purchase Furniture	Danville	\$ 3,189.00
Pleasant View, Inc	Develop Outdoor Recreation Area	Broadway	\$20,000.00
Rockbridge Area Community Services Board	Furnish House	Rockbridge	\$ 8,170.00
Rockbridge Area Occupational Center, Inc	Purchase Van	Rockbridge	\$ 8,196.00
Depaul Family Services	Furnish 2 Homes	Roanoke	\$10,460.00
The ARC Of Augusta	Scholarships/Program Continuation	Augusta	\$15,741.00
Goodwill Industries Of The Valleys-Southern Div	Purchase Equipment	Entire State	\$19,675.00
Mt Rogers Community Services Board	Provide Assistance For Summer Programs	Galax	\$ 8,352.00
ORGANIZATION	PURPOSE	CITY	AMOUNT
Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services	Enhance the grounds of the agency's adult group homes for consumer with mental retardation by installing a gazebo, side-	Danville	\$ 6,463.00
Dare to Care Charities, Inc	Swimming pool renovations	Roanoke	\$20,000.00
Piedmont Community Services Board	Dental care	Martinsville	\$20,095.00