

West Virginia Masonic Home



Moving Forward...

History

The West Virginia Masonic Home opened its doors in 1921. Established to help widows and orphan's and later to include indigent Masons. For nearly 95 years the Masonic Home provided quality direct care to many men, women and children. When the last child left in 1956, the Home shifted its focus to elder care. Over the years the resident count declined from 60 to the upper teens due primarily to the availability of social programs that helped keep Masons in their own communities. In 2014 the Board of Governors along with many other Masons recognized that instead of providing direct care to few members we could once again shift our focus to providing assistance to All qualified Master Masons, their wives, widows, and dependent children. The West Virginia Masonic OutReach Program was approved at Grand Lodge in October 2015. Moving Forward the West Virginia Masonic Home will no longer house qualified Master Masons or their families. Instead, The West Virginia Masonic OutReach Program will provide assistance statewide to qualified Master Masons, their wives, widows, and dependent children.

West Virginia Masonic OutReach Program



Don't be afraid to start over.
It's a chance to build
something better this time.

Our Mission...

- To continue the traditions of free Masonry by assisting eligible Master Masons, their wives, widows and dependent children through hardships.

"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of others"

Long Term Financial Assistance Program

- Provides eligible members with monthly assistance or individual one-time payments
- Monthly assistance will help seniors stay in their homes, apartments, independent or assisted living facilities throughout the state.
- Some members qualify for one-time payments of medical or utility bills, hearing aids, etc.
- To qualify for assistance, individuals must meet age and membership requirements and demonstrate financial need.
- All Assistance is subject to the approval of The Board of Governors.

Short Term Financial Assistance Program

- The Board of Governors and Grand Lodge of WV recognize that younger members in addition to older members may need assistance.
- The short-term program will provide limited assistance to eligible adults who are experiencing unforeseen hardships.
- The aid may help with medical emergencies or times of unemployment.
- As with the long-term program there are age and length of membership requirements.
- All applicants must complete an application to demonstrate financial hardship. All assistance is subject to approval by the Board of Governors.

Assistance for Children

- Financial Assistance to legal dependents of WV Master Masons may be available.
- Assistance may provide help with medical care and services such as dental, hearing, vision, therapy, and equipment.
- This program alleviates financial strain on parents who may have health insurance but are struggling to afford co-payments or medical expenses not covered by insurance.
- Parents should make application on child's behalf and must demonstrate financial need.
- All Assistance is subject to approval by the Board of Governors.

Social Services Program

- Not all members of the fraternity are in need of financial assistance. Some individuals just need help locating services or understanding programs available to them.
- We are currently in the process of developing a Resource Directory with resources specific to each county of every Masonic Lodge.

Masonic Cares OutReach Program

- This program is for members who used to be active but due to Physical changes, transportation issues or other changes, they can no longer attend or participate.
- They may need respite, groceries, a ride, or someone to visit and keep them up to date on the craft and events happening at their lodge.
- They may need someone to rake leaves or fix a porch railing and can't afford to pay someone to do little jobs or repairs and is unable to do it themselves.
- The program maintains contact with those who served before us and helps those in need be a part of a family that cares.

Masonic Widows Program

- The WV Masonic OutReach Program works with each lodge to maintain a list of widows to help us honor and maintain contact with our Masonic widows.
- To remind them of financial assistance available to them and how to apply or get help from their lodge members through the The Masonic Cares OutReach Program.

"We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone."

