

SPECIAL STATE PROJECT SUPPLEMENT 2020-2022

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Operation Chillout is New Jersey's oldest and only all-volunteer mobile outreach for homeless male and female veterans. Having begun in December, 2000, they advocate for sustainable solutions and programs serving the needs of the poor, addicted, abused and homeless that will improve the quality of their lives leading to permanent change and independent living.

GOAL

The goal of the Special State Project is to aid Operation Chillout in the promotion of awareness of the multi-faceted nature of poverty and homelessness, as well as direct compassionate action involving the collection, dissemination and delivery of supplies to homeless people and the agencies that provide for their temporary care.

ACTIVITIES

Summer 2020 Homeless Outreach Collection Go to www.operationchillout.org to the online gift registry for donations. For a \$10 donation, you can purchase two cases of water, or two t-shirts or two baseball caps at cost. (Operation Chillout has received these rates through collaboration with ShopRite and Amazon.) This project runs Memorial Day to Labor Day. **When you make a donation, put your club name in the business line** and notes section. If you forget, notify this chairman of your donation.

Winter 2020 and 2021 Starting each November, clubs can purchase a complete backpack or a selection off the online gift registry of clothing items (socks, thermal underwear, zipped hooded sweatshirts, knit caps, gloves) or purchase specialized survival gear such as sleeping bags or backpacking tents. Gift cards are always welcome.

Note Cards All Year Make a business size (ONLY) note card that will accompany items on the gift registry. No envelopes. The cards will fit into the pockets of the homeless. Be creative: they could be red/white/blue; put expressions such as "Thinking of You" or "Sending Hugs" or "Sending Smiles." Make them very generic with no religious comments of any kind. Mail them to Operation Chillout, PO Box 353, Long Valley NJ 07853 or call Col. Ted Sattur for pick up at 973-868-0453.

Summer 2021: Members can purchase cases of bottled water and summer items including t-shirts, caps, sun block, insect repellent, sunglasses, hygiene/toiletry kits, specialized survival gear. This project will run Memorial Day 2021-Labor Day 2021.

Fundraising

State Fundraisers During the two-year administration we will be holding two state fundraisers with one located in the North and one in the South. Information will follow.

District Fundraisers Each district will hold a District Bunco Fundraiser coordinated by the District SSP Chairman. This will be a competition with more information to follow.

Special State Project Pins Purchase SSP pins to support Operation Chillout and spread awareness of all they do.

Scrapbook

Take pictures and keep track of your club SSP donations, cards, fundraisers, etc. We will make a Scrapbook at the end of the two years, with a section for each district and state activities, that will be given as a memento to Operation Chillout. More details will follow.

Volunteering

Operation Chillout welcomes any member who would be able to coordinate the outreach needs of your county locations as well as any member who would be interested in being trained for accompanying their outreach delivery teams.

Speakers

Contact Col. Ted Sattur at 973-868-0453 to coordinate a speaker to go to your club. Consider asking the public to join you so you can spread awareness of Operation Chillout.

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