

At a Post level, volunteers work endlessly, dedicating time and many times their own money in maintaining and improving our Post homes. Our Honor Guard struggles with the high cost of uniforms. Our parade weapons are old and require constant repair. We feel as veterans, the military honors we provide at funerals are vital in perpetuating dedication, honor, and loyalty within our community. The positive feedback from families at funerals speaks for itself. As Posts close throughout the state, our Honor Guard drives farther and farther to provide this service.

Our Post home and volunteers work countless hours doing fundraisers to supplement our costs and donate within the community. The time is now for this much needed tax exemption. The past and current veterans (the men and women who run our Post) are doing everything within their power to maintain and move forward with normal operations.

The number of Posts closing and charters, which are given up, is stifling throughout the state and the United States. This tax exemption is critical for survival of Carlton Post 2962 and many others who are on the edge.

We thank you for your consideration on this matter and hope you understand just how important it is.

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