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**To: All Elks Lodge Exalted Rulers and Secretaries**

**Subject: Community Project Contest**

An obvious problem facing the Order of Elks is decreasing membership. This unfortunate trend is in part due to the fact that much of the general public in our communities is not aware of the great works of Elkdom. We need to be **LOUD, PROUD AND VISIBLE**.

The Grand Lodge Activities Committee wants to encourage your Lodge to conduct a project in your community. The project focus should be:

- ▶▶| one that fills a need in your community, *and*
- ▶▶| makes a difference to those you serve.

Some successful project ideas recently have focused on youth, veterans or others in need. The goal is to enhance community awareness of the good work we do as Elks and to have the community associate that good work directly with your Lodge. These projects can help the community better understand who we are and what we do as a fraternal organization and as such, develop membership in your Lodge.

To help fund a project in your community, your Lodge can apply for a \$2,500 Beacon Grant from the Elks National Foundation (ENF). Other ENF grants such as the Gratitude, Promise and Impact Grants may be available if your Lodge qualifies.

The Grand Lodge Activities Committee will award first-, second- and third-place winners in each of the six membership size categories. Certificates will be awarded to the winning Lodges at the Elks Grand Lodge Convention in Baltimore, Maryland.

To enter the contest, the Exalted Ruler of the Lodge must complete the attached Lodge Community Project Contest Entry Form. The completed form is due by May 1, 2020. Please send the contest entry form to David Lake, Chairman and Area 3 Member of the Grand Lodge Activities Committee. My contact information is listed above and on the attached entry form.

We wish you a successful community project!

*Fraternally,*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David B. Lake".

David B. Lake, Chairman  
Grand Lodge Activities Committee



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# LODGE COMMUNITY PROJECT CONTEST

## — ENTRY FORM —

Lodge Name \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge # \_\_\_\_\_

*Community Project Contest for April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020 Lodge Year*

District \_\_\_\_\_

State Association \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Membership as of March 31, 2019 \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Size Division\* \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Community Project Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Community Project \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*(Attach pictures, if available)*

Points

Number of Lodge People Involved \_\_\_\_\_ × 1 = \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Man-hours Involved \_\_\_\_\_ × 2 = \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Days for the event \_\_\_\_\_ × 5 = \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Public Attending \_\_\_\_\_ × 5 = \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Newspaper Articles \_\_\_\_\_ × 5 = \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Television Reports \_\_\_\_\_ × 5 = \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Electronic Media Messages\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ × 5 = \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Signs Posted \_\_\_\_\_ × 5 = \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Points = \_\_\_\_\_**



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Exalted Ruler's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Exalted Ruler's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Exalted Ruler's E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

***Send this entry to: David B. Lake, Chairman***  
**Area 3 Member**  
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***(Please note that all entries must be received by May 1st, 2020)***

\*Lodge Divisions: Division 1 = 0 – 300 members  
Division 2 = 301 – 500 members  
Division 3 = 501 – 700 members  
Division 4 = 701 – 1100 members  
Division 5 = 1101 – 1500 members  
Division 6 = 1501 and above in members

\*\* Electronic Media Messages include E-mail, Twitter, Facebook, and etcetera.