

Bev Hamby Note on Additional Freedom Grants for 2017-2018



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ENVSC in 2017-18: Now with More Freedom Grants!

The new Elk year is just around the corner and we can finally announce the big news: there will be even more Freedom Grants in 2017-18!

We received a record number of applications last year, and many people asked us why we didn't have more Freedom Grants. Well, we listened! This year, 200 Lodges will receive Freedom Grants of \$2,000 each.

Applications for these competitive grants go online July 1 and are due July 31.



Looking for ideas? Take a cue from **Grand Junction, Colo., Lodge No. 575** and do something a little different. Elks at this Lodge used a grant to facilitate an overnight rafting trip for veterans with physical disabilities. The trip allows for 10 veterans to exercise skills learned throughout physical therapy in a novel way.

Ready to start planning your grant? [Visit the Freedom Grant webpage to learn more.](#)

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