



Rev. James B Coyle Council Knights of Columbus Council No. 12620



**St. Dorothea's Church
240 Broad Street
Eatontown, NJ 07724**

To the Eatontown Community Benefits Advisory Committee

SEND A HERO HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

For the past 10 years the Knights of the Rev. James B. Coyle Council have donated approximately \$2,500 annually to the Knights Send a Hero Home for the Holidays. The program pays the transportation costs of active duty military personnel to return home for Thanksgiving to New Year's Holidays. We work with the base Chaplains, Officer's & NCO's in identifying recipients. The only restriction for applicants is their rank can be no higher than an E4 – junior enlisted personnel. The program has been an overwhelming success as has been the outpouring of thanks and appreciation from the men and women we have sent home.

The average cost to send a Hero Home is approximately \$500 per military person. We are asking if you would consider matching our annual collection of \$2,500 to support 5 service members.

HIGH SCHOOL CHESS TOURNAMENT

The Knights of the Rev. James B. Coyle Council has held an Annual High School Chess Tournament for the past 24 years. We invite high school Chess Teams and individual chess players to participate. The Tournament is "rated" by the United States Chess Federation. Participants in this tournament have included Monmouth Regional in addition to schools, public and private from Monmouth, Ocean, Mercer and Middlesex counties. Approximately 100 players play annually.

The Knights are requesting \$1,000 to cover the expenses of Team and Individual awards, lunch and beverages.

We thank you for your consideration and any donations would be much appreciated.

Gary Seals
Council Program Director
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Dear Mr. Seals,

The Community Benefits Advisory Committee is in receipt of your letter received February 16, 2026, wherein you requested \$3,500 to be used as follows: \$2,500 for the Knights Send a Hero Home for the Holidays program and \$1,000 to support an Annual High School Chess Tournament which the Knights have traditionally held.

The Community Benefits Advisory Committee is charged with overseeing the implementation of the Community Benefits Agreement between the Borough of Eatontown, Netflix and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority. In this regard, it considered your request at its meeting of February 17, 2026, found it to be a locally prioritized community benefit and approved your request.

Please sign below indicating your intention to: (1) use the funds as stated in your letter received February 16, 2026 and (2) return to the Borough any funds that are not expended for the stated purpose. I understand you are gathering the necessary information for our Finance Department to be able to cut your check. Please let me know if you have any questions about this.

Thank you,

Anthony Talerico, Jr.
Mayor

Agreed:

Gary Seals, Council Program Director