

## **VFW National Home for Children** **Safety & Security Fund Appeal Reminder**

Since 1925, the VFW National Home for Children has kept its promise to military and veteran families, offering them a peaceful sanctuary from the insecurity of lives ravaged by post-traumatic stress, reintegration, high unemployment, divorce, suicide, or domestic violence.

But to continue to provide safe refuge to America's military and veteran families, they must acquire urgently needed upgrades to their Emergency Communications System.

The truth is, as our nation has learned from so many tragedies on American college campuses, government facilities, and schools, sadly- anything can happen on a campus the size of the National Home.

In the event of dangerous or life-threatening circumstances, the children and families living on the campus of the National Home – **MUST BE PREPARED** for potential threats so they can take immediate steps to ensure everyone's safety.

The National Home must be able to provide the needed communications required for the safety and security of the residents, and they need to be able to quickly and effectively tell them when it is being threatened.

In November, the National Home sent a mail appeal to all Post Quartermasters and VFW Auxiliary Treasurers for a campus-wide Emergency Communication System. This system will include:

- Emergency Notification Systems – to alert the children, families, visitors. And staff members in all 58 buildings on the National Home campus.
- Outdoor notification – wide-area notification devices and public-address speakers that the children, families, and visitors can hear whether they are riding bikes or fishing at the lake on campus.
- Alert Beacon – that will flash and sound off in our buildings to alert children when emergencies occur.

To help protect the families living at the National Home, I hope that you will make a gift to their Safety & Security Fund today by sending a check.

Let's help them with this urgent need and thank you for supporting our VFW National Home for Children.