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**DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT SERVICE OFFICER ANNUAL REPORT – 6-5-2021**

- FOR 2020-2021 TO DATE: **\$4,195,720.38** WITH **9927** ACTIONABLE CONTACTS WITH VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES
- SINCE 2016 TO DATE, **\$17,440,286.47** WITH **58,201** ACTIONABLE CONTACTS WITH VETERANS AND FAMILIES
- SERVICE OFFICE OPERATED EVERY DAY DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, MOVED TO ROOM 336, PROV VARO
- OFFICE SUPPORTED BY ONE FULL-TIME VOLUNTEER, PART-TIME CLAIMES CONSULTANT AND PART-TIME VOLUNTEER ADSO
- INCREASED VETERAN REMOTE OUTREACH BY DEPARTMENT AND ASSISTANT DEPARTMENT SERVICE OFFICER
- ADAM S. DECICCIO, ASSISTANT DEPARTMENT SERVICE OFFICER PASSED ON DECEMBER 5, 2020
 - POST 272 TO BE REDEDICATED IN HIS HONOR TO CONTINUE HIS LEGACY OF VETERANS’ ADVOCACY AND ASSISTANCE
- IMPLEMENTED 2020-2021 RIOVA GRANT-OF \$24,000, SINCE 2017, **\$144,000** IN GRANTS RECEIVED: GRANTS ARE FOR ADDITIONAL OUTREACH AND VETERANS’ ASSISTANCE AND NOT FOR ROUTINE OFFICE EXPENSE (NOT GUARENTEED)
- OFFICE PERSONNEL ATTENDED NVS TRAINING TO KEEP CERTIFICATION AND ACCREDITATION
- NATIONAL VFW FUNDING AND NO NEW DEPARTMENT FUNDING INADEQUATE TO SUSTAIN OFFICE OPERATIONS
 - WHAT IS THE DEPARTMENT PLAN WHEN I RETIRE OR PASS?
- **AS ALWAYS, WE CONTINUE TO HAVE FUN ADVOCATING AND ASSISTING OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- **VETERANS OLDIES DINNER DANCE: AUGUST 7, 2021, 6:00 PM AT SMITHFIELD ELKS (RALPH’S CATERING)**
- **REDEDICATION POST 272: SEPTEMBER 11, 2021. “SGT ADAM S. DECICCIO WARWICK VETERANS MEMORIAL POST 272 VFW”**
- **BANNER MOTORCYCLE, HOTRODS AND ANTIQUE CAR RUN: OCTOBER 2, 2021, 12:00 NOON, AT WARWICK TRI-CITY ELKS**

