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**The Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Hosts Veterans Check Distribution  
Organizations Committed to Assisting Veterans Receive Thousands from the NHBP Veterans Committee**

The Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi (NHBP) distributed \$27,600 to area veterans groups today during a luncheon at FireKeepers Casino Hotel in Battle Creek, Michigan.

Several years ago, NHBP created a veterans relief fund to assist veterans in our local communities. To support this initiative, the NHBP Veterans Committee raised funds at the Chief Mognuago Veterans Golf Outing, which took place June 1 at Binder Park Golf Course in Battle Creek, Michigan.

"NHBP considers it a great privilege to provide a helping hand to local veteran organizations," said NHBP Tribal Council Treasurer Jeff Chivis, who also chairs the NHBP Veterans Committee. "These organizations serve in ways that NHBP can't. We are grateful for their assistance to veterans and will continue to support this special cause."

The funds NHBP distributed today serve to keep many local veterans and their families warm during winter months, housed with shelter, and stocked with food during emergency situations.

"On behalf of NHBP and the NHBP Veterans Committee, we say Chi Migwéch (thank you) to all the brave men and women who have served in the military and those who are currently serving," Chivis said. "It is because of your courageous actions that we are able to live freely."

Each of the following organizations received a check for \$5,520:

- American Legion Post 196 from Union City, Michigan
- Michigan Department of Disabled American Veterans from Battle Creek, Michigan
- American Legion Post 280 from Bellevue, Michigan
- Southwest Michigan Veteran Relief Fund from Battle Creek, Michigan
- American Legion Post 257 from Battle Creek, Michigan.

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About The Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi

NHBP, a federally recognized Tribal government with more than 1,500 enrolled Tribal Members, gained federal recognition December 19, 1995. The Tribe's main offices are located at the Pine Creek Indian Reservation near Athens, Michigan, and in Grand Rapids, Michigan. NHBP provides benefits, programs and services to Tribal Members through various Tribal government departments, as well as a Tribal Police Department, Tribal Court and Gaming Commission.

NHBP's economic development entities include FireKeepers Casino Hotel (FKCH), a Vegas-style casino, and Waséyabek Development Company, LLC (WDC), which focuses on the pursuit of non-gaming, economic diversification opportunities.

Under the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, NHBP distributes a percentage of its annual slot machine revenue from FKCH to both the State of Michigan and to the Local Revenue Sharing Board (LRSB). The Native American Heritage Fund, established in 2016, serves to provide resources to improve curricula and educational resources related to Michigan Indian history, as well as to fund initiatives that promote mutual respect and cooperation between local communities and Michigan's federally recognized Tribes.

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Photo (L-R): American Legion Post 280 Representative Larry Spaulding, Michigan Department of Disabled Veterans Representative Stephen Cooper, Southwest Michigan Veterans Relief Fund Representative Mike Duggan, Tribal Council Treasurer Dr. Jeff Chivis, American Legion Post 257 Representative Brian Mohlman and American Legion Post 196 Representative Ralph Gottschalk.