



PRESS RELEASE

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Crook County Joins #OperationGreenLight to Honor Veterans This Veteran's Day

Crook County, OR – This Veterans Day, Crook County invites the community to join us in supporting our nation's veterans by participating in #OperationGreenLight. From November 4-11, we encourage everyone to light up their homes, buildings, and public spaces in green as a symbol of hope and gratitude for our veterans.

America's counties have a proud tradition of supporting veterans, collaborating with federal, state, and local partners to ensure that former service members have access to the resources they need to thrive. By joining #OperationGreenLight, Crook County will stand alongside the National Association of Counties (NACo) and the National Association of County Veterans Service Officers (NACVSO), as well as 3,069 counties, parishes, and boroughs across the nation, in lighting up our buildings green to show veterans that they are seen, appreciated, and supported.

"Veterans answered the call to serve, and now it's our turn to serve them — by ensuring they are recognized, respected, and supported. Operation Green Light is a visible reminder of our commitment to those who gave so much," said Susan Hermreck, Crook County Commissioner. "By lighting our buildings and homes in green, we are showing our veterans that we see them, we value them, and we thank them for their service."

Tom Evans, Crook County Veteran Service Officer, shared his thoughts on the initiative: "Operation Green Light is a meaningful way for our community to show veterans that their service and sacrifices are not forgotten. By simply shining a green light, we send a clear message of appreciation and support. It's a small gesture with a big impact—one that reminds veterans they are seen, valued, and never alone. If you or someone you know has questions about veteran benefits, our office is here to help. We're honored to serve those who have served us."

How You Can Participate:

- Light up your home or business with green lights from November 4-11
- Share your support on social media using the hashtag #OperationGreenLight
- Encourage others to participate and show their appreciation for our veterans

Let's unite this Veterans Day to honor those who have served. Together, we can turn Crook County green and send a powerful message of gratitude and support to our veterans.

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For more information about #OperationGreenLight, please visit: <https://naco.org/program/operation-green-light-veterans>