

## Wyoming Hunger Initiative partners with organizations serving veterans in Albany County to provide free community event

**CHEYENNE, WYO** – First Lady Jennie Gordon's Wyoming Hunger Initiative, in partnership with Volunteers of America, will host a community meal on February 1, 2023 between 5:30 and 7:30 PM at the American Legion in Laramie for veterans and their families. The purpose of this event is to share a meal and resources that are available in Albany County for veterans.

Partnerships are the foundation of Wyoming Hunger Initiative as the mission is to support grassroots anti-hunger organizations across Wyoming. A multitude of services are available in Albany County and this one-stop-shop event will provide for networking opportunities, access to resources within the community, and a meal provided by the American Legion. Veterans do not need to be a member of the American Legion to attend.

"In addition to addressing food insecurity in our state, ensuring that the men and women who have served our country have access to adequate resources is a priority of mine," says First Lady Jennie Gordon. "It is my hope that we are providing ample opportunities for veterans to connect with resources in their communities not just on Veterans Day but throughout the year.

Transportation will be provided for anyone who wishes to attend and is in need of this service. Meals will also be delivered to anyone who requests one and cannot attend in person. Veterans are encouraged to call Volunteers of America at (307) 745-8915 to sign up by January 31. The American Legion Post 14 is located at 417 E. Ivinson Avenue in Laramie.

This event is made possible in collaboration with Volunteers of America, American Legion Post 14, Laramie Soup Kitchen, Laramie Interfaith, Cent\$ible Nutrition, Wyoming Veterans Commission, Disabled American Veterans, Family Promise of Albany County, Cathedral Home, and Wyoming Hunger Initiative.

## **About Wyoming Hunger Initiative**

Wyoming Hunger Initiative is the official initiative of Wyoming's First Lady Jennie Gordon and is governed by the Board of Directors of the Wyoming Governor's Residence Foundation, a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Visit **www.nohungerwyo.org** to learn more about Wyoming Hunger Initiative.

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