

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (VA) AND
THE BROWN COUNTY, TEXAS

VOLUNTEER TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

ARTICLE I. INTRODUCTION

Purpose: The purpose of this agreement is to provide for the donation of a van from Brown County to VA for the Volunteer Transportation Network and to set forth the conditions on VA's use, and possible return, of this vehicle. Brown County has assisted VA in establishing and operating this Network to benefit veteran patients who do not have transportation from their homes to VA medical facilities. In addition, for many years, DAV has donated hundreds of vans to support the operation of the Volunteer Transportation Network.

Authority: VA has authority to accept gifts including gifts of vehicles under 38 U.S.C. Section 8301-8305. The Director of this VHA Medical Facility has been designated authority to accept gifts for the benefit of patients or the facility.

ARTICLE II. AGREEMENT

Delivery and Transfer of Title: A copy of the Certificate of Origin must be provided when the van is picked up. The original Certificate of Origin is maintained by the Office of Acquisition and Logistics in VA Central Office

VA Use: VA will use the van for the transportation of veterans at Central Texas Veterans Health Care System and the Community Based Outpatient Clinic located in Brownwood, Texas, in accordance with VA rules and regulations. VA will not transfer the van to another VA facility, group of facilities, or VISN for its use without the written consent of VAC unless it is needed to respond to a local or national emergency declared by the State Governor or President of the United States of American under PL 93.288, The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief Act. VA will be responsible for the repair and maintenance of the van. If the van is damaged, however, VA is not required to repair it prior to returning it to DAV.


Possible Return of the Van: VA agrees to offer the return of the van to DAV when the Facility Director determines (1) that the condition of the van makes it unacceptable for use in the Volunteer Transportation Network or (2) that it is no longer needed for use in the Volunteer Transportation Network at the facility. Brown County will notify VA within 90 days of receiving VA's offer to return the van if it does not desire the van back. If Brown County has not assumed possession of the van after this 90-day period, VA may dispose of the van in accordance with established procedures. If DAV agrees to the return of the van, VA will transfer title back to Brown County when Brown County takes physical possession of the van. Generally, Brown County will take physical possession at the VA facility.

For the Department of Veterans Affairs

For the Brown County



Director



Brown County Judge, Shane Britton

Date: 4/8/2024

March 21st, 2024

April 8, 2024
(EXhibit #5)