

## 20 Local Heroes Receive the Gift of Free Hearing Aids

McDonald Hearing Aid Center gives \$100,000 worth of Hearing Aids to Local Heroes in Northern California

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES, January 11, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Over \$100,000 in hearing devices has been awarded by McDonald Hearing Aid Center to deserving local heroes. The 20 recipients were nominated by family members, friends and neighbors because of the tremendous contributions they have made to their communities.

"Untreated hearing loss is the number one disability in the world," says McDonald Hearing Aid Center President Mark Moore. "Hearing loss affects everyone, even our heroes; these deserving individuals have a calling to help all of us live a little better every day. In the least, it is our duty to help them hear better so that they may live a little better."

Retired teacher Patti Van Der Kamp continues to serve as school volunteer. According to her granddaughter, "She loves working with the kids at school, but it is hard to hear them."

Navy veteran and Rotary member John Jans of New Valley has spent nearly 50 years improving his



McDonald Hearing Aid Center's Licensed Hearing Aid Dispenser Robert Bennett with Gift of Hearing Recipient James Laffoon and Joan Smith

community through service projects, tutoring and more. Julie Johnson said, "Mr. Jans does many other things to help...make the Paradise and surrounding communities a better place for all to enjoy."

Clark H. Kenney Jr. of Antelope has suffered progressive hearing loss since 1977. A Marine veteran and active volunteer, Kenny is known for his kindness and service to others. Beryl Geczi wrote, "He is...a wonderful neighbor; however, it is hard for me to watch him struggle to hear what is being said to him."

Former Sacramento police officer Michael Summers received national recognition for his work with Project Hope in 1999. He currently volunteers as a Crisis Intervention Team Training Coordinator. However, decades of work-related noise have damaged his ability to hear normally.

Author, artist and retired professor Richard Rios has had an immeasurable impact on his community. Former student Adela M. Nearez wrote, "Throughout the years, I have seen Mr. Rios involved in numerous community activities, such as the arts, theater, education, holiday activities, poem and story readings...and more." Henrietta Robles wrote, "If he can't hear, he would be a loss to the community."

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McDonald Hearing Aid Center's Licensed Hearing Aid Dispenser Roy Bostick with Gift of Hearing Recipient Michael Summers



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