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**Subject:** Stand down

THE DENTAL STANDDOWN IS IMPORTANT TO VETERANS. MANY DO NOT HAVE DENTAL INSURANCE BECAUSE THEY CAN'T AFFORD IT. MANY CAN'T AFFORD TO HAVE THE TREATMENT FOR THEIR TEETH THAT THEY NEED BECAUSE OF THE COST. MOST OF THE VETERANS TREATED AT THE STANDDOWNS HAVE NOT SEEN A DENTIST FOR MANY YEARS BECAUSE OF THE AFFORE MENTIONED REASONS. I HAVE WORKED WITH VETERANS FOR APPROXIMETELY 40 YEARS ON FOE FORM OF ANOTHER. WHEN TALKING WITH VETERANS ABOUT THE STANDDOWN BEFORE THE FIRST ONE IN LAPORTE COUNTY THE THOUGHT IT WAS A VERY IMPORTANT STEP IN HELPING OUR VETERANS. SEVERAL TALKED TO ME ATERWARD AND COULDN'T BELIEVE THAT THEY GOT THEIR TEETH FIXED AND WAS NOT CHARGED ANY FEES I KNOW FOR A FACT THAT THE VETERANS WHO HAVE BEEN EXRAYED AND HAD SOME IMPORTANT TREATMENT FOR THEIR TEETH WOULD GLADLY HAVE HAD IT DONE SOONER, EXCEPT THEY COULDN'T AFFORD ANY WORK ON THEIR TEETH.

Sincerely,

George R. Watkins