

# ‘Incredibly Grateful to the VFW’

## Post in Pennsylvania donates funds for new football helmets

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VFW Post 7689 in Martinsburg, Pennsylvania, donated \$2,500 toward new helmets for the local high school football team to enhance safety measures in sports.

Post Commander Doug Warmath presented the donation during Central High School’s second football game at home in Martinsburg in mid-September.

“The safety of our students is a top priority,” Kayla Myers, president of the QB Club, told the *Morrisons Cove Herald* in Martinsburg. “We are incredibly grateful to the VFW and the broader community for coming together to ensure our athletes are well-equipped.”

The donation stemmed from the Spring Cove School District administrators recognizing the need for more proactive safety measures, though unable to cover the new unforeseen costs of implementing new safety standards for football teams in the district.

VFW Post 7689’s contribution to the district now allows Central High School to purchase the necessary amount of helmets to meet the safety standards lobbied by the local school district and its members.

The check presentation by Warmath on behalf of Post 7689 also alluded to the large role the community in and around Martinsburg played in helping raise the funds for its local high school football program, according to the *Herald*.

“This is what community is all about,” Myers told the *Herald*. “It’s amazing to see everyone come together for the benefit of our students.”

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