Vet Net Newsletter

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Congratulations!

You have just received the first issue of the much anticipated newsletter that seeks to join together veterans of all ages to become a unified voice. Veterans' Outreach's quest is to be an umbrella that will bring together all veterans, veterans clubs, organizations, and nonprofits. This publication will highlight current concerns and showcase the great character of veterans.

About Veterans' Outreach

A Hand Up For Veterans

We are a unique service organization comprised of veterans and non-veterans, all sharing the common goal to serve and honor all veterans. Over the last 25 years, we have helped veterans more than 100,000 times. Veterans contact us daily with problems concerning housing, utilities, auto repair, and a variety of other needs. For the majority of cases, we are able to provide some kind of immediate relief. We are known for eliminating red tape.

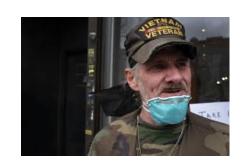


Message from Veterans' Outreach's President COVID-19

We Need Each Other Like Never Before

COVID-19 is paralyzing our country and most other nations. We are all trying to wrap our heads around what is happening in this new existence that we all find ourselves in.

In a typical week, we help more than 120 veterans with financial assistance for their most immediate need, food insecurity, clothing, and personal items. We are going to continue helping with phone appointments and with food



give-a-ways, outside of our buildings. But those kind of services can only last another couple of weeks or so, because our funds are halted, as our fundraising has screeched to a halt and events have been cancelled.



Donate



What We Do Every Day

Sarasota, Florida Office

A local female vet had been down on her luck. She had no job, no income and facing the shutdown of her electricity. On the advice of the local Veteran Service Officer, she contacted us. We called the electric provider and guaranteed payment of the outstanding bill. We provided help to get her a job and within a few days she had an income. She was very excited and very grateful to Veterans' Outreach for stepping in during her hour of need!

A local veteran called our Florida office to request much-needed help. His daughter had died some six weeks ago and he had been so wrapped up

in covering final expenses and other allied requirements that he had run out of money. On the advice of his VA caseworker, he called us to say that he had covered the past due but had no prospect of paying the most recent utility bill. Veterans' Outreach stepped in and paid the bill. He has contacted us several times to reiterate how much it meant to him to have a clean payments slate.



Jobs

We work with veterans to help them find employment if they are able, either through outside employers or agencies that we are associated with or through our own Workforce Program. In 2019 we helped 100 veterans with employment through our Outreach Program.



Project

Veterans' Outreach was donated 110 acres of Kentucky wilderness. Plans are underway to develop Heroes' Passage, a healing environment for post 9/11 veterans that are having problems with transitioning to civilian life. Plans include a CORE facility (Counseling,



Offices, Recreation, and Eatery), private cabins for each veteran, working farm, horse stable, Chapel, and tribute garden. We have contacts in place for therapy, job training, and job placement to help each veteran overcome and enjoy a fulfilling life. *From Roger Hanshaw, Land Donor*

News

Veterans Affairs

Bulletin



The U.S. House of Representatives passed H.R. 2359 directing the Department of Veterans Affairs to study alternative health services that could be covered through the Veterans Health Administration, more and more veterans could soon be encouraged to experience the transformative effects of nature. From Good News Network Veterans Finding Peace In Nature

Newest Award GuideStar



Veterans' Outreach earned a 2019 Platinum Seal of Transparency by sharing the metrics that matter most!

GuideStar is the world's largest source of information on nonprofit organizations. GuideStar powers philanthropy. They provide a source for donors to go to view the specifics on the Non Profit that they contribute to so they know that the organization is in the highest standing.

A Moment In History



The U.S. Military and the Influenza Pandemic of 1918–1919

The American military experience in World War I and the influenza pandemic were closely intertwined. The war fostered influenza in the crowded conditions of military camps in the United States and in the trenches of the Western Front in Europe. The virus traveled with military personnel from camp to camp and across the Atlantic, and at the height of the American military involvement in the war, September through November 1918, influenza and pneumonia sickened 20% to 40% of U.S. Army and Navy personnel. From National Institute of Health.

About the VFW



The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States is a nonprofit veterans service organization comprised of eligible veterans and military service members from the active, guard and reserve forces. VFW Mission: To foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military and our communities. To advocate on behalf of all veterans. VFW Vision: Ensure that veterans are respected for their service, always receive their earned entitlements, and are recognized for the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made on behalf of this great country.

VFW Remains Committed to Service and Country Amidst COVID-19

They will remain committed to providing their members and all those they assist with top-quality service as the current situation evolves. *From VFW.org*

Thank You From Veterans' Outreach

Your generosity over the years makes a real difference. Your kindness has helped over 100,000 veterans in need.



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