

# VET NET Newsletter

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## COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN #64259

## HOW TO GIVE



Federal employees and retirees are dedicated to making a difference in local communities, and across the state. The CFC is an opportunity to do even more for the causes you care about. Our home office is in Youngstown Ohio. Check out our website at [veteransoutreach.org](http://veteransoutreach.org) or Facebook.

We ask that you choose Veterans' Outreach, CFC #64259, as your charity to make a payroll deduction through this year's CFC Campaign. Through the CFC campaign donations, you can be the face of change.

1. Visit [GiveCFC.org](http://GiveCFC.org) and click DONATE.
2. Create an account or log in to your existing account.
3. Complete or update your profile.
4. Enter the zip code of your office to access the list of charities.
5. Veterans' Outreach office zip code is 44505.
6. Enter Veterans' Outreach CFC #64259.
7. Make your pledge.

**Thank you, we have the heart, credibility, and transparency to make your donation count!**

## The Power of the American Soldier

Death, destruction, catastrophic hate, struggles, disparity, and all the things that make up the ingredients of war. It is never easy, and many get hurt, displaced, and even killed. Wars touch us all...some more than others. Wars and its effects started when Cain killed Able.

All wars begin with evil. Evil intent is the reason. As a world of human beings, we will never be able to live together without hostilities. You and I were born out of war. Without war, this great nation would not exist. Look at the Mid-East, for thousands of years there has been bloodshed for many reasons. It all comes down to evil. Man's unwillingness to relent or observe a fellowship. America...the United States...is the closest that any Nation has come to peaceful co-existence.

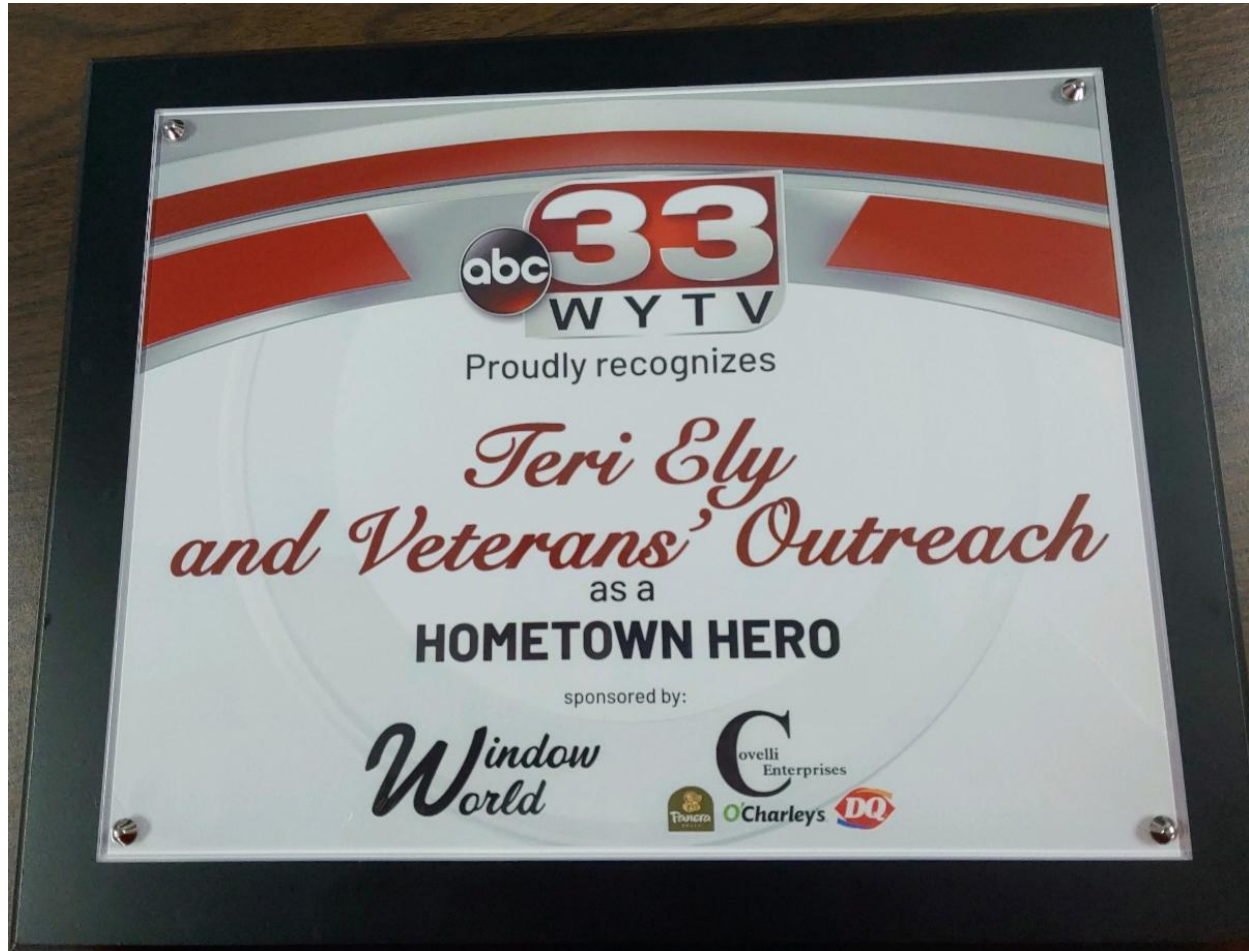
I almost hesitate saying United States, for we are in an upheaval, a divisiveness, on so many levels.

We, as a Grateful Nation, should realize what we have and not only cherish our Nation but understand where we come from and live free and safe - because of our Soldiers. The 10% that protect and serve the other 90%. No draft needed these days for our Soldiers defy fear and sign their name in blood to do battle with any enemy that threatens our way of life...our FREEDOMS!

Our nation needs to unite and look to the American Soldier as an example. The Power of the American Veteran is immense and deserves our deepest respect and love. We need to be there for them in their time of need. If you are a veteran or have a veteran in your family, even a friend, you must know what I mean. My father and brother, I miss them so much, served at Pearl Harbor and Vietnam. My son is still serving as a Captain in the Army and was stationed in Afghanistan. All three came back with PTSD and many horrific health anomalies. They sacrificed like so many of their service brothers and sisters. They share a common denominator of faith and trust with each other that is unshakeable. Veterans are all about helping other veterans.



## Teri Ely Awarded Hometown Hero









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## Our Programs For Veterans

Over the last 28 years, we have helped veterans more than 100,000 times. Our motto is to "respectfully serve and honor all veterans".

We have developed programs that perform our mission to help veterans that include the **Direct Aid Program**, the **Outreach Program**, the **Heroes' Closet Program**, and the **Freedom Food Pantry Program**.

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## What We Do Everyday



Veterans' Outreach is always seeking solutions for veterans' problems. Thankfully, our office in Pinellas Park, Florida was not harmed by Hurricane Ian. Our team there has been tirelessly working to provide assistance to veterans that suffered loss from the wrath of Ian.

Recently, a great opportunity to help from the north came by way of a like-minded agency called Veterans Haven. They decided to hold a clothing drive and take the load to Florida. Veterans' Outreach was able to provide more than a dozen LARGE bags of clothing and several cases of hand sanitizer. We are grateful to the generous clothing donors and to Veterans Haven for helping us to help the veterans affected by Ian. Safe travels to Veterans Haven.

Our Veterans' Outreach branch office in Grayson, KY hosted a "Trunk or Treat" at their location on 10.28.22. However, it wasn't just your normal trunk or treat. They had games and lots of wonderful hometown comradery. It was a terrific event with a spin on old-fashioned fun. The event was such a success, they even ran out of candy! They quickly ran out to the store to ensure there weren't any disappointed trunk-or-treaters. This wasn't just about candy or decorations, this was truly an event that brought the Grayson community even closer together. We are so thankful for such a wonderful team at our Grayson office. They always go above and beyond the call. Congratulations on a terrific event! Lots of happy kids and adults alike!





## Donate Now

We thank all of you that have supported our Mission through your donations, thoughts, and prayers. You made it possible to **help tens of thousands of Veterans** with financial assistance, food, and clothing. Your pledge of support is needed to continue our mission to serve and honor all veterans. **Will you make a small monthly pledge of \$10 or more? This gift can immediately make a difference for a Veteran in need.**



## Donate Help A Veteran Now

You can also call 888-2-VET-NET and speak with Teri Ely to donate.

## Amazon Smiles

You can make donations happen **at NO cost to you** while shopping on Amazon. Just register online at Amazon Smiles site at <https://smile.amazon.com>.

Just search and select **Veterans' Outreach** from Youngstown, Ohio (Corporate Office) as your charity of choice. **Takes 2 minutes.**

**Amazon will fund a donation to Veterans' Outreach based on a % of all your purchases. A few minutes of your time can help a veteran in need.**

## News



The Military Discount Center highlights the commitment of businesses that support our military through numerous military discounts, deals and freebies for active duty service members, veterans and their families.

### Popular Veterans Day Restaurant Discounts

- [Mission BBQ](#) -- Veterans get a free sandwich on November 11.
- [TGI Fridays](#) -- Veterans and active-duty military personnel get a free lunch on November 11 from 11am to 2pm from a select menu at participating locations. Dine-in only.
- [Applebee's](#) -- Active-duty military, veterans, Reserves, and National Guard receive a free meal when dining in from a special menu on November 11. And when dining in on November 11, military guests will receive a \$5 Bounce Back Card to redeem for dine-in, To Go, or delivery within a three-week redemption window.

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### Veterans Day 2022 Parades, Events and More Nationwide

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#### Ohio events include:

The Pro Football Hall of Fame is hosting the inaugural "Heroes Gala: A Love Letter to Veterans" event in Canton, Ohio, on Friday, Nov. 11, 2022, beginning at 6 p.m. The black-tie optional gathering, hosted by Pro Football Hall of Famer Franco Harris, will raise money for the Legacy of Honor and The Pat Tillman Foundation. Tickets start at \$250. Linda DeHoff, co-author of "Open This Letter in Ten Years: Life Lessons from Dad's Love Letters," and Marie Tillman, author of "The Letter: My Journey Through Love, Loss and Life," will take part



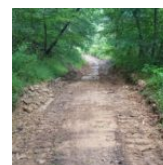
in a special roundtable about their experiences as family members of those who served and the letters they sent. .

The Columbus Veterans Day Parade steps off at noon Thursday, Nov. 10, 2022, from Nationwide Boulevard and ends at the National Veterans Memorial and Museum.

## Heroes' Passage in Kentucky

Veterans' Outreach was donated 110 acres of Kentucky wilderness. Plans are underway for the development of Heroes' Passage, a veteran retreat with a healing environment for veterans that are having problems with transitioning to civilian life.

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