

Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans



Ending Veteran Homelessness in Minnesota



Our Mission

To end Veteran homelessness in Minnesota

Our Vision

To provide assistance throughout Minnesota to Veterans and their families who are homeless or experiencing other life crises leading to homelessness



Message from Shaun Riffe, Development Officer

2018 was an amazing year for MACV because of the support of our donors, who believe in our mission to end homelessness for Veterans across Minnesota. Through your generosity, we received a record number of individual gifts and donations this past year. We also had another record-breaking year of Veterans requesting support from across Minnesota. Your gifts allow us to provide an immediate impact in supporting Veterans finding new jobs, new homes, and most importantly, a fresh start.

With the goal of achieving functional zero in the Veteran community within the next twelve to twenty four months, we expect to exceed our spending efforts again this year to make this a reality.

Here are five ways to help in 2019:

1. Make a monthly pledge. Small monthly donations make an impact on helping an at-risk Veteran. If everyone receiving this newsletter committed to \$10 a month, we would more than exceed our last year's donations.
2. Start an online fundraiser. Facebook, GiveMN and other online fundraisers

make it simple to start a personal campaign for Veterans. It is becoming very common for our supporters to start an online fundraiser for a birthday in place of gifts. Just share why you think this is important and challenge everyone to give.

3. Find a foursome for golf. We have five groups sponsoring golf events to raise funds and awareness for MACV this summer. Check out our website and Facebook events pages and we'll keep you posted with new dates and locations over the next couple months.

4. Order a move-in kit. New homes and apartments require a few items to get a transitioning Veteran started. You can help by purchasing the necessary items to make a new place feel more like home. Go to our Amazon or Target Registry and purchase the basic items necessary to get someone started. An entire kit is less than \$300!

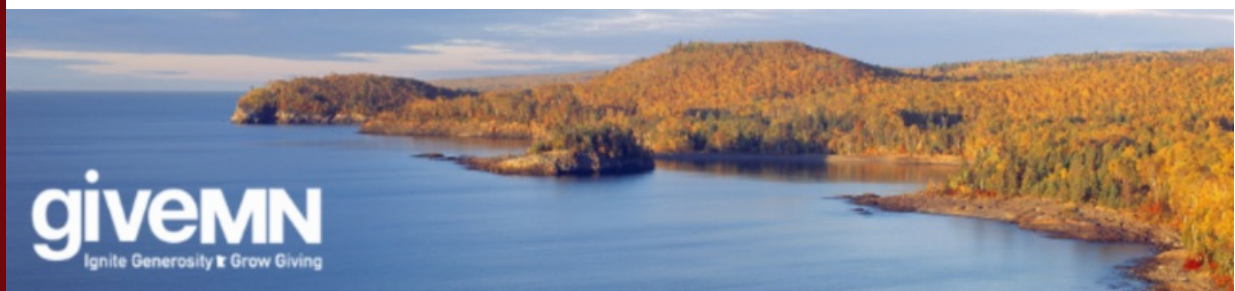
5. Volunteer your time. Do you have a special skill or have time you want give? Join our volunteer list by texting VolunteerMN to 41444 and we'll notify you with projects and events that need an extra set of hands.

Thanks again to everyone who has donated time, money and resources to MACV. Your generosity allows us to make an impact everyday throughout Minnesota.

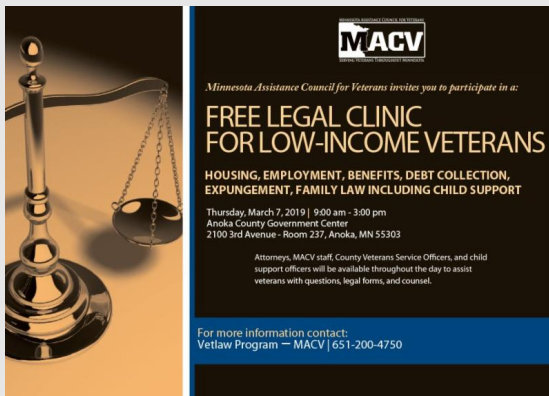


Best Regards,

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If you didn't already know, you may set up a monthly gift to Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans and become part of our legacy of service. To begin a monthly gift, simply [click here](#) and select the amount you wish to give. On behalf of all of the Veterans and the families we serve, thank you.



MACV Legal Clinic (Anoka)
Thursday, March 7th, 2019
Anoka County Government Center
2100 3rd Ave-Room 237, Anoka, MN.
55303

Time: 9:00-3:00

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MACV Legal Clinic (Minneapolis)
Tuesday, March 12th, 2019
VA Medical Center
Flag Atrium Balcony Room 2S 114
1 Veterans Drive
Minneapolis, MN. 55417

Time: 9:00-2:00

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Homeless Day on the Hill
Wednesday, March 13th, 2019
Minnesota State Capitol Rotunda

Join MACV and hundreds of other advocates at our Homeless Day on the Hill. Learn more and register here:
<https://conta.cc/2QXJi2N>



Veterans' Job Fair
Wednesday, March 13th, 2019
Minneapolis VA Medical Center



One Veterans Drive
Minneapolis, MN. 55417
(in the Auditorium)

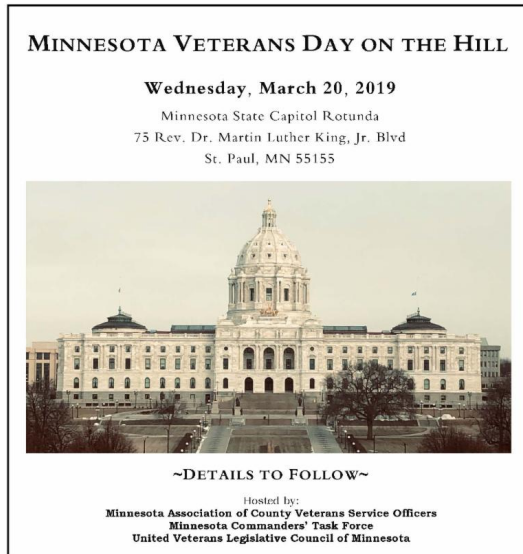
TIME: 1:30-4:00

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Minnesota Veterans Day on the Hill
Wednesday, March 20th, 2019
Minnesota State Capitol Rotunda
The tentative schedule will be a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. followed by the rally at 1:30 p.m.
More Details to Follow

Veterans Day on the Hill is hosted by the Minnesota Association of County Veterans Service Officers, the Minnesota Commanders' Task Force, and the United Veterans Legislative Council of Minnesota.

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2019 MDVA Women Veteran Conference

Saturday, March 23rd, 2019
YMCA Maplewood Community Center
2100 White Bear Avenue
Maplewood, MN. 55109

TIME: 9:45-4:00

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IN THE NEWS



FEB 10th, 2019
MINNESOTA APPROACHES GOAL OF ERADICATING VETERAN HOMELESSNESS
FOX NEWS

"We are absolutely laser-focused on getting to

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zero,” said Neal Loidolt, CEO of Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans. “But we shouldn’t stop there: We should take what we are learning with veterans and apply it to the entire homeless population.”



WITH RELENTLESS PUSH, MINNESOTA NEARS GOAL OF ENDING VETERAN HOMELESSNESS

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COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

We would like to thank our great partners at MidCountry Bank for their generous donation of \$20,000 to Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans. (MACV). These funds will be used to help place Veterans into housing while our professional team of dedicated case managers work with each Veteran on an individualized plan to help them achieve self sufficiency and independence.

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From left to right

Mark Nettesheim-AVP Market Lead at MidCountry Bank

Brian Peterson-Chief Financial Officer at MACV

Jon Lovald-Chief Operations Officer at MACV

Steve Meads-President & CEO at MidCountry Bank

Neal Loidolt-President & CEO at MACV



NORTH REGION

Women Veterans Event-Love Yourself

On Saturday Feb. 9th, MACV North team members Lisa Lauzon and Kathy Kraft attended the Women Veteran's Event-Love yourself, hosted by the DAV and Black Bear Casino. 178 women Veterans and many local resource providers gathered to discuss the current issues facing our women Veteran's today. Great networking was done with such partners as the County Veteran Service Officers, the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs Women's Outreach staff, and many others. Our MACV team member Kathy shared, "We spent much time talking and learning with/from many! We spent the evening together networking, learning from each other and just camaraderie!".



Left to right:
Lisa Lauzon- MACV Case Manager (NECOC)
Kathy Kraft- MACV Case Manager
 (Princeton)



Group photo of attendees

METRO REGION

VFW & AMERICAN LEGION

On February 13th, our Chief Operations Officer Jon Lovald, and Development Officer Shaun Riffe, visited the **Stillwater VFW Post #323** and **American Legion Post #48** to thank them for their generous support of MACV and the Veterans we serve.

The VFW and American Legion are critical partners in our mission to end Veteran homelessness in Minnesota we were able to show them our gratitude through the military tradition of awarding them our special MACV challenge coin.



Jon Lovald, Chief Operations Officer
presenting our challenge coin to a MACV
supporter
In the background, not photoed, is our
MACV Volunteer extraordinaire **Kevin Tholen**



Jon Lovald with Stillwater Auxiliary leader
Betty Nelson

SOUTH REGION

SERTOMA CLUB OF GREATER MANKATO

Our South Office Regional Leader Sadie Rezac had the opportunity to be the guest speaker at the weekly meeting of the Sertoma Club of Greater Mankato. Their mission is to help with speech and hearing causes in the Greater Mankato area. Sadie presented to them about MACV, highlighted upcoming events in the Southern Region this spring & summer, and address questions from the group.

Want to know more about MACV? Visit our website or email us to meet in person.



From left to right
Brit Waibel- Sertoman of the week
Sadie Rezac-MACV Southern Regional Leader

JOIN OUR TEAM

MACV IS HIRING FOR TWO POSITIONS

- Resident Services Coordinator-St. Cloud
- Landlord Engagement Specialist-Metro

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Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans invites you to participate in a:

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