



NEWSLETTER



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Feature Stories



House Veterans and Military Affairs Finance and Policy Committee: MACV Presentation

Standing before the Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs Finance and Policy, MACV Vice President of Property Operations Sara Riegle provided insight into the methods and successes of MACV's effort to end Veteran homelessness in Minnesota. [Click here](#) to learn more!

New Affordable Housing for St. Cloud Veterans

MACV is proud to announce the purchase, with support from the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs, of a new eight-unit apartment building in St. Cloud, Minnesota. [Click here](#) to learn more!





MACV Vetlaw Director Elected to Board of Minnesota Council for Nonprofits

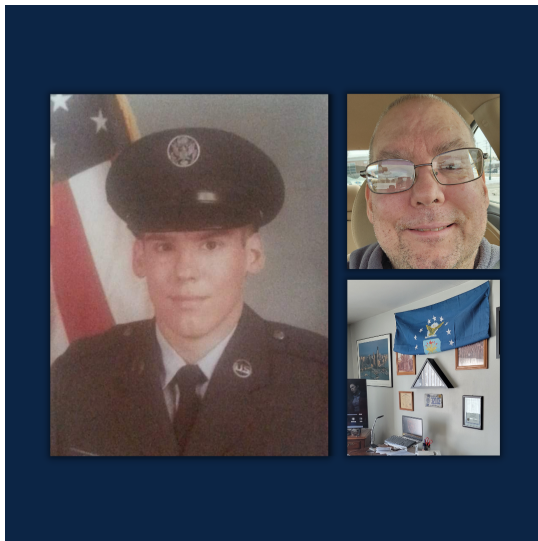
We are beyond thrilled to announce that MACV Vetlaw Director Sara Sommarstrom has been elected as a board member of the Minnesota Council for Nonprofits. With nearly two decades invested in developing and advancing Minnesota's nonprofit sector, this is an exciting achievement for Ms. Sommarstrom and our community. [Click here](#) to learn more!

MDVA Partners with MACV to Conduct Point-In-Time Count

MACV, Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs, and numerous other homeless service organizations united forces to count the unidentified Veterans in Minnesota who were living without a home in January. This important annual project, titled the Point-In-Time count, is meant to serve as a snapshot of homelessness in a community. [Click here](#) to learn more!



Veteran Story



"I could not have done any of this without MACV" - Housed Air Force Veteran Dirk

Dirk spends his time taking care of others. Dirk moved to southern Minnesota when the responsibility of caring for his mother fell on him. Moving to Minnesota from out of state and finding affordable housing near his family was not simple. The challenges caused Dirk to face a laundry list of expenses that set him back and forced him to face housing insecurity until MACV stepped in with preventative measures.

[Click here](#) to read the full story!

MACV Employee Spotlight

We are featuring Jayce Mayberry!

Jayce served in the Army for 10 years and deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan. At MACV Jayce is a Housing Case Manager in the north region.

He was drawn to a career at MACV because he wanted to serve other Veterans. Jayce believes that MACV's mission to end Veteran homelessness is effective because MACV ensures no Veterans are left behind.

[Click here](#) to learn more about Jayce!



Advocacy Opportunities

Homeless Day On The Hill

Join the Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless for a powerful day of advocacy with an inspiring program, visits with policymakers, and sharing your passion to end homelessness in MN. [Click here](#) to sign up!

Veterans Day On The Hill

Join us in standing with Minnesota's Veterans and showing your support! The DAV of Minnesota is hosting an incredible event to rally for Veterans and make sure our legislative priorities are heard. [Click here](#) to sign up!



Volunteers

Volunteering with MACV connects you with our vibrant community while contributing to the end of Veteran homelessness in Minnesota. If you would like to volunteer or receive notifications of potential opportunities, click the link to update your contact information and complete a short survey to let us know more about your individual or group skills.



[Volunteer Today!](#)

Event Calendar



**Women Veterans
Brunch and
Resource Event**
Saturday March 4th

**Homeless Day On
The Hill**
Wednesday, March 8th

**Bedrace for
Bridging**
Saturday, March 11th

**Minnesota Social
Service Association
130th Annual
Training
Conference & Expo**
March 15th-17th

**Veterans Day On
The Hill 2023**
Thursday, March 30th

**Twin Cities Auto
Show Military
Appreciation Night**
Tuesday, April 4th

**Lost Sanity Brewing
MACV Fundraiser**
Saturday, April 15th

Donor Spotlight



Soups For Troops

Thank you to the Mankato Elks Lodge #225 for hosting the 10th annual Soups for Troops event benefiting Veterans in the southern region of Minnesota! This event has continuously demonstrated its unwavering commitment to supporting Veterans living in Minnesota.

Minnesota Masonic Charities

We extend a heartfelt thank you to the Minnesota Masons for their support of MACV and the commitment they have made to Minnesota's Veterans. Their dedication to creating positive change is truly admirable!

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El Dorado Bar

El Dorado Bar has truly gone above and beyond in their commitment to making Minnesota a more hospitable place for Veterans. We are incredibly grateful for the invaluable role they have played in advancing our mission.

Thank you to last month's donors

Annual Donors over \$50,000
Minnesota Masonic Charities

Donations over \$5,000

Donations Over \$500
American Legion Post 0303
American Legion Post 0168
American Legion Post 0560

El Dorado Bar

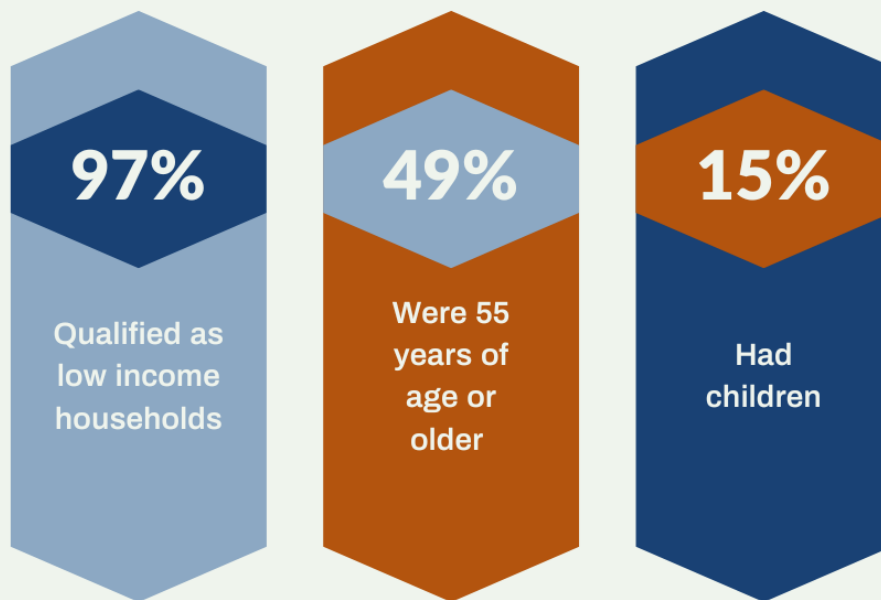
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VFW Post 9625
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MACV 2022 Annual Report Coming Soon!

In 2022 MACV Assisted 1,717 Former Service Members



In 2022, MACV assisted 1,717 Veterans living in Minnesota. For more updates, and information about how we opened doors for Veterans living in Minnesota last year, standby and sign up for our 2022 annual report!

[Sign Up Now!](#)

You Can Help End Veteran Homelessness

Minnesota nonprofits and schools are working hard to help keep us healthy, meet basic needs, and gather around common goals, interests, and experiences. They are also addressing the long-term economic impacts of the

pandemic, which puts even more Veterans at-risk of homelessness.

**Are you a Veteran in need or
know a Veteran that needs
help?**

612-726-1327
Share our number.



Donate Today!