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In The News



How MACV Helps Older Veterans Secure Housing

MACV is helping a growing number of veterans who need housing later in life. [Click here](#) to watch a video from WCCO's mid-morning show and hear directly from Sara Riegle, Vice President of Property Operations for MACV.



MACV, WCCO and Minnesota Twins Host “Winter Salute” at Target Field

Many Minnesota veterans don't have a safe place to call home this holiday season. That's why hundreds went to Target Field for this year's Winter Salute. It's a place where veterans are welcome, and can find help to improve their lives. [Click here](#) to learn more!



MACV Outreach Helps Veterans Find Housing

[Click here](#) to watch a video from WCCO mid-morning and hear directly from MACV outreach program manager Christine Bridgeman and senior outreach specialist James McCloden!

Featured Home For The Holidays Stories

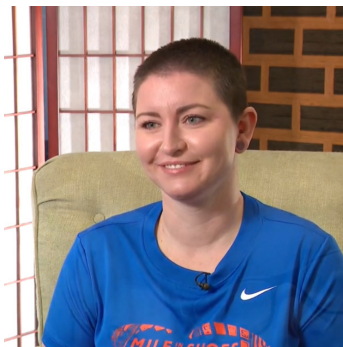


Reaching Out to Homeless Veterans at Metro Warming Houses

In the early morning hours, people staying the night at area homeless shelters move quietly from their place of slumber to warming houses to stay out of the cold. The Opportunity Center on 17th and Chicago is one of those spots. In the corner of the room, James McCloden, MACV Outreach Specialist, knows that by coming here he has a good chance of connecting with a veteran. [Click here](#) to learn more!

How You Can Help Veterans find their Home for the Holidays

[Click here](#) to watch our COO, Jon Lovald, explaining the impact you can have on Veterans living in Minnesota who are looking for housing stability this holiday season!



Minnesota Veteran Gets Support From Local Nonprofit: "You can really tell that they care."

Far too many Minnesota Veterans don't have a safe place to call home or are on the brink of homelessness. Last year, MACV provided services to nearly 600 veteran families with children. United States Army Veteran Alex Harver was one of those Veterans who reached out to find the stability her family deserves. [Click here](#) to learn more!

MACV Client Story



“It’s great to have my own place that I can call home.” -Housed National Guard Veteran Michael

Michael, a National Guard Veteran and lifelong Minnesotan, found a home just in time for the holidays, thanks to MACV. After losing his wife and facing the prospect of sleeping in his car, Michael was connected to MACV through Carver County. With assistance, he found an affordable place to live, complete with furniture, household items, and even a decorated Christmas tree. Click here to learn more!

Bring Every Veteran Home For The Holidays

Each year, Veterans’ challenges grow in number and urgency as winter sweeps across our state. The road to stability can become hard to see for Veterans struggling to make ends meet. More than **290 Veterans** have no place to call home tonight. But Minnesota’s Veterans deserve better, and our team refuses to fall short of this ideal. As an important supporter of MACV’s mission, we promise you this: MACV will never rest until every Veteran in Minnesota has a home for the holidays. You can donate today to double your impact and make a significant difference in the life of a Veteran searching for housing stability.



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Partner Highlights

MACV's 2023 Home For The Holidays Winter Salute Service Providers

Thanks to the generous contributions of countless service provider partner agencies, volunteers, and community partners, our Veterans experienced a little extra holiday magic this year. Over 215 individuals were connected not only with delicious meals but also community resources such as housing services, haircuts, jobs, and vaccines – just what they needed during these cold winter months. Click here to learn more.





The Giving Tree Project

We want to thank the Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Chamber of Commerce Program, sponsored by Gary's First Class Care, for providing so many of our Veterans a fully decorated tree this holiday season! The Excelsior Fire District took care of the Tree Program administration, and we're honored to have them supporting us this holiday season.

Friends Of Fredrikson

Heartfelt gratitude to the Friends Of Fredrikson! Your generous gifts and the joy you've spread have made a significant impact on the lives of Veteran families this holiday season. Your kindness embodies the true spirit of giving!



Event Calendar



Share Your Upcoming Events With Us!

Events happening in the military and homeless service provider communities are important to us!

Please [click here](#) to view MACV's event calendar. If you would like to have your event added to our calendar, you can submit the event by [clicking here](#)!

Donor Spotlight



MidCountry Bank

We're incredibly grateful to MidCountry Bank for their support as a matching donor in MACV's Home for the Holidays campaign. Their generosity will make a significant impact in helping us connect Veterans with the support and resources needed to rebuild their lives in Minnesota. We're proud to partner with organizations like MidCountry Bank, who share our commitment to serving those who have served us.

Leonard J. Mikulay Foundation

We warmly thank The Leonard J. Mikulay Foundation for their generous matching donation during our Home for the Holidays campaign. Their commitment has doubled the impact of each gift, providing invaluable support to Veterans across Minnesota this holiday season.



Lennar Foundation

We want to express our sincere gratitude to the Lennar Foundation. Their generous matching donation has amplified the impact of each contribution, making a significant difference in our mission to end Veteran homelessness in Minnesota!

Thank you to last month's donors

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Ending Veteran Homelessness Brings Every Veteran Home For The Holidays

MACV has over thirty years of experience connecting with former service members across Minnesota. We use a variety of creative approaches to address the needs of individual Veterans experiencing housing instability or homelessness.

Supporting MACV empowers Veterans living in Minnesota, resulting in advocacy and assistance for Veterans starting a new chapter of their lives.

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