

In The News



Nonprofit Organizations See Progress with Fighting Veteran Homelessness

The Minnesota Assistance of Council for Veterans (MACV) has been on a mission to end Veteran homelessness for more than 30 years. According to its 2023 report, progress is promising, but there's still a lot of work to be done. Click here to watch the video from KTTC!



Featured Stories

2024 Homeless Day On The Hill

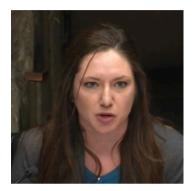
MACV is proud to have spent Homeless Day On The Hill with hundreds of community partners advocating for shelter, affordable housing, income protections, and housing support for the Veterans we serve across Minnesota. It was a chance for the MACV staff, partners, and clients to share their stories and statistics and make an impact. Click here to learn more!

10th Annual Military Appreciation Night at the Twin Cities Auto Show!

Thank you, Twin Cities Auto Show and Greater Metropolitan Automobile Dealers Association, for your generosity and commitment to Veterans in Minnesota. We are so thankful for the gift of a \$27,000 check presented to MACV!

We were honored to join forces with organizations at the Twin Cities Auto Show in support of our heroes! Through this powerful partnership, we organized the Hero's Hub that provided Servicemembers, Veterans, and their families access to invaluable resources! Click here to learn more.

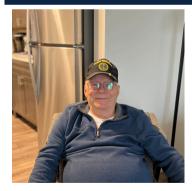




MACV State Program Director Testifies in Support of HF5200

MACV's Statewide Program Director, Lindsey Hofer, testified during a Minnesota House Human Services Finance Committee hearing in support of HF5200. HF5200, sponsored by Rep. Heather Keeler, would establish the Office of Homelessness and Housing Supports to lead the administration of the state's homelessness services system. The bill would appropriate \$597,000 in fiscal year 2025 for a working group to simplify supportive housing resources. Click here to learn how this could impact Veterans living in Minnesota.

Client Story

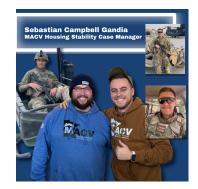


"My family and I appreciate everything MACV did for me."- Housed Army Veteran Terry

Veterans over 55 are the largest age group we engage at MACV, and the average age of a MACV-served Veteran is 52. Problems faced by older Veterans include a growing need for affordable and accessible housing, which is in a critical shortage in Minnesota. Army Veteran Terry is one of many Veterans over 55 that MACV will serve this year.

At 83 years old, Terry never imagined he would be facing homelessness. When his apartment became outdated and unaffordable, he began searching for assistance. The VA connected him to MACV. Terry, his daughters, and MACV worked together to find Terry an affordable place to call home. Click here to read Terry's full story!

Employee Spotlight



This month, we are featuring Sebastian Campbell Gandia!

Sebastian currently serves in the Minnesota National Guard and learned about MACV from a mentor. He enjoys working for MACV because he feels it has given him purpose and direction post-deployment in a way that he could never have anticipated. At MACV, Sebastian is a Housing Stability Case Manager in the Metro Region.

Outside of MACV, Sebastian is highly active at the James Ballentine "Uptown" VFW - Post 246, where he serves on the house committee and as the Junior Vice Commander. Click here to learn more about Sebastian!

April is Volunteer Appreciation Month!

Happy National Volunteer Month! Volunteers are at the core of creating opportunities for Veterans. In 2023, 673 individuals representing 37 volunteering organizations dedicated their time and energy to supporting MACV's mission! If you have volunteered with MACV please join us on April 23rd, 2023 for our volunteer appreciation event!



Everyone is welcome to join our event and learn about summer volunteer opportunities!

RSVP For Our Volunteer Appreciation Event!



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Partner Hightlight

Mankato Elks Lodge #225

Big thank you to the Mankato Elks Lodge #225! We can always count on them to donate a move-in kit for a Veteran exiting homelessness in southern Minnesota. This group has always taken advantage of every opportunity to assist a Veteran, and we're grateful!

Event Calendar

ETS Third Saturday Event April 20th, 2024

> MACV Volunteer Appreciation Event April 23rd, 2024

Minnesota Veterans Career Fair May 1st, 2024

Hennepin County Warrant Resolution Day May 3rd, 2024 Housing Assistance at ETS May 3rd, 2024

Donor Spotlight

CenterPoint Energy Foundation



We want to give CenterPoint Energy Foundation a huge shoutout for a historic, needle-moving grant to support the rehabilitation of our LaSalle apartment building in Minneapolis. Look for more information to come about the unique role CenterPoint plays in making MACV's largest supportive housing property ready for Veterans. Thank you, CenterPoint Energy Foundation!

VFW Post 6690

The contributions from VFW Post 6690 have played a pivotal role in providing much-needed resources, services, and support to Veterans facing homelessness, helping them find stability and hope. Their partnership amplifies our efforts and brings us closer to achieving our goal of ensuring that no Veteran is left without a place to call home. It's through the support of dedicated organizations like VFW Post 6690 that we can make a significant impact in the lives of our Veterans.





Lost Sanity Brewing

Thank you, Lost Sanity Brewing for hosting a fundraiser for MACV! The event was a blast - full of laughter, fun, and connections. Thanks to your incredible support, we raised over \$3,800 for Veterans in southern Minnesota.

American Legion Auxiliary Post No. 004

We are profoundly grateful to the American Legion Auxiliary Post No. 004 for their kind-heartedness, support, and belief in our mission to end Veteran homelessness in Minnesota. Your generosity not only aids in our efforts today, but it also lays the groundwork for a brighter future for our Veterans.



Thank you to last month's donors

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You Can Help End Veteran Homelessness

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

Ready to make MACV part of your legacy? Contact us at donate@mac-v.org or download our Legacy Guide for more information on how to donate your stocks, bonds, or investments to MACV.



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