NEWSLETTER

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Featured Stories

2026 PIT Count: Turning Data Into Action

MACV partnered with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs to complete the annual Point-in-Time (PIT) Count, a national snapshot of homelessness that helps guide funding and policy.

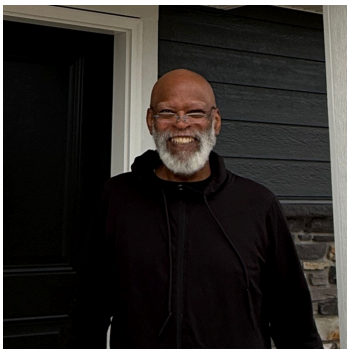
In Minnesota, we pair the PIT Count with our continuously updated Homeless Veteran Registry to drive real-time housing action. This year, instead of large-scale street outreach, we operated a focused call center using cross-referenced data to proactively connect unsheltered Veterans to services. For MACV, the goal is never just to count Veterans; it's to use data to drive action and move Veterans toward stable housing. Click here to learn more!

New Vetlaw Program Director

We're excited to share that Walter Burk has been named MACV's Vetlaw Program Director. Walter joined MACV as a staff attorney in 2016 and has extensive legal experience from both sides of the judicial bench.

After graduating with honors from the University of Minnesota Law School, Walter advised federal judges and later joined the State Court Administrator's Office of the Minnesota Supreme Court as a staff attorney. He went on to provide direct legal services, including representing Veterans in family law, housing, and consumer rights. A U.S. Air Force Veteran, Walter's leadership strengthens MACV's Vetlaw program and our ability to remove legal barriers to housing stability. Click here to learn more about MACV's Vetlaw program!

Client Story



"I don't know what my circumstances would be without MACV" -Housed Navy Veteran Ed

In 2023, after connecting with MACV, Ed moved into MACV's LaSalle apartments, where he spent several years rebuilding his health, routine, and relationships. With stable housing in place, he was able to focus on what came next and identify a home that better supported his daily life.

Now at Veteran Village, Ed is settling into a new community, connecting with neighbors, and looking ahead to spring. He is planning to garden, spend time outside, and continue moving forward. Click here to read Ed's full story!

Employee Spotlight

This month, we are featuring **Britani Hodges**!

Britani is a Long Term Housing Stability Case Manager at MACV with 12 years of experience in healthcare and hospitality. Her background shaped a person-centered, calm approach grounded in strong communication and care.

At MACV, Britani supports Veterans and their families as they work toward stable housing, connecting them to resources and helping them build long-term stability. She's motivated by the belief that everyone deserves safe housing and someone in their corner. Click here to learn more about Britani!

Run for MACV!

Team MACV is officially open, and we'd love to have you run with us!

Once you create your fundraiser, our team will reach out with your personal code and next steps. We have spots available on the marathon and 10-mile teams. New this year, you can also join the half-mile team. Every mile and every fundraiser helps move our mission of ending Veteran homelessness forward!

Join Our Team!

Event Calendar

ETS Valentines Party
February 21st, 2026

Free Shoe Event
February 25th, 2026

Homeless Day on The Hill
March, 11th, 2026

Housing Assistance at ETS
March 13th, 2026

Donor Spotlight

Hector Foundation

We're grateful to the Hector Foundation for their continued support of MACV's mission. Their investment strengthens our work and helps ensure more Veterans across Minnesota can access stable housing and supportive services. We appreciate their partnership and commitment to this work.

Minnesota Vietnam Veterans Charity

We appreciated the opportunity to connect with Jerry Kyser during a recent office visit, where he shared a generous gift from the Vietnam Veterans group. This support directly strengthens our work with Veterans across Minnesota and helps move stability forward statewide.

Standard Heating

We’re grateful for the continued support of Standard Heating. Their commitment helps strengthen our statewide reach, ensuring Veterans in every corner of Minnesota can access housing stability and supportive services. Support like this allows MACV to respond where needs exist and sustain meaningful, long-term impact across our communities.

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