Vet2Vet : HERO Program

MHADC Veterans’ HERO Program is supported by a grant from Dutchess County Government and generous donations from our local residents. HERO will be a way for Dutchess County Veterans and their families that are either homeless or facing homelessness to have an advocate and a resource in the county they live in. There will be funds available for emergency housing, which will be used only when necessary to keep our Veteran families safe and sleeping with a roof over their heads.

HERO will help Veteran families we are serving to maintain and thrive before and/or after permanent housing is achieved.

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HERO Program

Vet2Vet: Veterans' Peer Services

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Veterans Crisis Line 1-800-273-8255
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**Services for veterans of Dutchess County**

are available to all veterans and their families. We provide services to veterans from all eras.

**Services include:**

- **Housing:**
  - Locating affordable residences that fit the needs of the Veteran’s family.
  - Help with housing applications

- **Financial Resources:**
  - Using all available resources to help support permanent housing.

- **Advocacy:**
  - Speaking with Property Managers, Debt Collectors, Employers, and other agencies.

- **Outreach:**
  - Connecting with local government, community, other non-profit agencies, and property managers.

- **Referral Services:**
  - Connecting Veterans to the resources needed to help sustain permanent housing.

- **Employment (With VET-TAP Program):**
  - Job Searches
  - Interview Prep
  - Resume Building
  - Budgeting

These efforts will help keep the Homeless Veteran population low as we continue to react to emergency housing needs and situations.

**VET2VET & HERO PROGRAMS WORKING TOGETHER FOR A COMMON GOAL**

Unfortunately the County as well as this great Country is seeing an increase in the Veteran Homeless population. Here at MHA of Dutchess County’s Vet2Vet: HERO program our goal and mission is to reduce this population to as low a number as possible. To keep this battle in our favor we are going to work with every resource available to react to any new Veteran housing crisis that arises.

We are going to pull together all our resources through the many programs that Mental Health America, Mid-Hudson Addiction Recovery Centers, Vet2Vet, HERO program, local not for profits, and the County have to offer, in order to provide a complete wraparound service that the Veterans and their families deserve.

“On the battlefield, the military pledges to leave no soldier behind. As a nation, let it be our pledge that when they return home, we leave no Veteran behind.”  
-- Dan Lipinski

**HOW TO GET INVOLVED**

**Spread the Word**

If you know a veteran who could benefit from the HERO program, who is homeless or in danger of becoming homeless, please reach out to this program. – CALL US!

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Donations are accepted and greatly appreciated!

The words Veteran and Homeless should never be in the same sentence. If you would like to help prevent this atrocity from happening please contact Vet2Vet: HERO Program.  
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