These organizations are working together to better serve our Armed Forces. Their websites direct you to information on programs, services and benefits that are available to Marion County Veterans and Military Personnel.





www.Veterans.ooo/MACV.html MACV is a Non-Political, Non-Profit IN Corp. that <u>Advises</u> the Mayors' on Veterans Needs & Programs www.Veterans.ooo or www.VSC.ooo VSC is a Non-Political, Non-Profit, IN Corp. that <u>Supports</u> Veterans, Military & Families.

Who We Consider To Be a Veteran:

Veteran - Title 38 of the Code (Federal Regulations) defines a Veteran as "a person <u>who served</u> in the active military, naval, or air service and who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable".

Active Military personnel - Title 10 of the Code is a person who is active duty is in the military (Armed Forces) full time, may live on a military base, and can be deployed at any time.

Reserve (Federal) and **National Guard** (States) - Title 32 of the Code <u>are not full-time active duty military</u> personnel, although they can be deployed at any time should the need arise.



Mayors' Advisory Council for Veterans



- In September of 2010 Mayor Gregory Ballard appointed Russ Eaglin to be the cities first full time Veterans Services Officer. He left in 2013.
 - MACV had its first meeting in January of 2011.
 - August 6th, 2011 was our 1st Mayor's Veterans Appreciation Day event
 - June 9th, 2018 was our 8th Mayors' Veterans & Family Appreciation Day event
 - MACV's initial purpose was then, as it is today, was to: Build a stronger Coalition of Service Providers to better support our Veterans and Military personnel by working across organizational lines, coordinating resources, to help solve common Veteran issues.
- In February 2016 Mayor Joseph Hogsett directed MACV to continue its networking and to find more ways to help Veterans.
 - In June of 2016 Mayor Hogsett appointed Matt Hall to be the cities Veterans Service Officer, now serving as Director of Veterans Affairs.
- On January 8th, 2019 MACV was Incorporated (as an IN Non-Profit) (Revised 8Jan19 at 1825)





MACV's Mission



MACV's Mission is to:

- Hold monthly networking meetings with Veteran Service Providers;
- Form information gathering & research committees;
- Identify and publish a list of those Service Providers and findings to VSC's website and database that is mobile friendly.







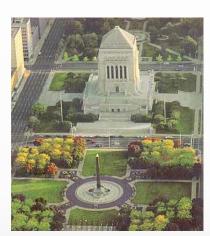


MACV's Goals



MACV's Goals are to:

- Better serve, inform, and advise the Mayors' and Town Managers of Marion County on issues that affect Veterans and Military personnel in our community;
- 2) Better serve, inform, and advise the Veterans and Military personnel in Marion County about services, programs and benefits available to them by creating a unified voice in our community that is already striving to help our Veterans, Military personnel and their families.



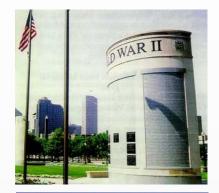




MACV's Monthly Networking Program



MACV's networking program consists of monthly meetings with community Service Providers that offer goods, services, programs and benefits to Veterans and the Military here in Marion County. The information and documentation obtained from these organizations will be used to build a database of their services. This information will be shared with Mayors, Town Managers, Veterans Service Organizations, and Veterans Outreach Groups. Together they are making sure our Veterans and Military receive the services, programs and benefits to which they are entitled.





Look for this information on: www.Veterans.ooo



MACV's Guidelines for Membership



Everyone is always welcome to attend any MACV meeting or MACV Committee meeting.

Requirements for being a MACV Member or MACV Associate (No Dues or Fees are ever charged):

- 1) MACV Member (Voting Member)
 - a. Be a Director of MACV (all MACV Directors are MACV Voting Members); or
 - b. Must have attended at least six (6) monthly meetings within the last 12 months, or
 - c. Be a Director of VSC (all VSC Directors are MACV Voting Members)
 - d. Be a MACV Steering Committee Member
- 2) MACV Associate (Non-Voting Member) -

a. You should attend at least 2 to 3 times a year to remain on our active emailing list.

3) Visiting Organizations & Guest Speakers (Non-Voting) – are welcome to make presentations at MACV meetings on how they are, or can help our veterans – (Should be approved in advance by the Leadership Committee)

MACV always meets the third Tuesday of each month at the *Marriott-East (21st & N. Shadeland Ave.) from 2:00 to 4:00 PM.





*Our alternate locations are the Red Cross & AMVETS. Always check VSC's web site for any changes in locations.



MACV's Leadership



- MACV is lead by a five (5) person Leadership.
- The Leadership Committee is responsible for:
 - Developing an agenda for each meeting;
 - Notifying the MACV members of each meeting;
 - Conducting the monthly meetings;
 - Supports the work of the Committees;
 - Preparing reports for the Mayors' review.



Chairman	Co-Chair	ActingCommitteesSecretaryCoordinator		Steering Committee Chairman
Don Hawkins	Charlie Russell	Bonnie Wooten	David Sassman	Open
Hawkins@VSC.ooo (317) 632-0500	<u>charlieru@aol.com</u> (317) 435-3992	<u>bkwooten@myninestar.net</u> (317) 727-1605	IndyWiz1645@gmail.com (317) 313-3710	

(Elected on the 21st of November 2017 to serve until the 31st of December 2018 or until new elections are held.)

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MACV Expanded

- In 2015 MACV invited our sister cities and the town of Speedway to participate in our MACV Program to help unite all of Marion County community leaders to better serve our Veterans and Military personnel.
- By joining together we can better identify, consolidate and share our resources.
- Marion County is very fortunate to have a large variety of services and resources available to its Veterans and Military personnel. MACV's goal is to compile that information and ensure that it is provided to all Veterans and Military personnel thru existing; service providers, web sites, veterans service organizations and Veterans outreach groups.









MACV Expanded



• MACV's goal is work with each of our sister cities and towns within the Marion County area, bringing them up to date and sharing with them what MACV is currently doing to ensure that all our Veterans and Military personnel are made aware of the many benefits and services available to them.

Indianapolis	Lawrence	Beech Grove	Southport	Speedway
Joseph HogsettSteve CollieMayorMayor		Dennis Buckley	Russell McClure	Jacob Blasdel
		Mayor	Mayor	Town Manager
(317) 327-3601	(317) 545-6191	(317) 788-4977	(317) 786-5489	(317) 246-4120
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MACV Partners with VSC



- MACV is a Non-Political, Non-Profit Program that <u>Advises</u> the Mayors' and Town Managers on Military personnel and Veterans needs, services and programs.
 - Covers all of Marion County (Indianapolis, Lawrence, Beech Grove, Southport & Speedway)
 - MACV does not raise funds for programs/events. Can accept in-kind products or services.
- VSC is a Non-Political, Non-Profit Indiana Corporation that <u>Supports</u> MACV, MAC Events, and our Veterans, Military and their Families. VSC was formed on the 6th of March 2014 and is a 501 (c)(3) public charity.
 - VSC is responsible for raising funds and promoting Veterans events, including but not limited to, the "Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day" event.
 - MACV's Planning Committee plans and coordinates the Mayors' event.
 - Covers what ever part of the country that wants to utilize VSC's Resource Center Website.
- Together MACV & VSC provides a venue:

Where Past Generations of Veterans Are Supporting the Next Generation of Veterans.



VSC's Mission:

VSC's Mission & Goals



VSC's Goals:

To <u>raise funds</u> for and <u>sponsor</u> special Veterans events; the annual Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day event; an annual Appreciation Dinner, various Fund Raisers throughout the year, and to partner with projects that promote, support and inform our Veterans and Military Personnel about the services and benefits available to them and their families.





Press Conference: City of Indianapolis awards FREE Bus Passes to Indy Veterans.





These MACV Members help Veterans secure the programs, services and benefits they have earned:

HVAF - Hoosier Veterans Ass't Foundation 964 N. Pennsylvania St., Indianapolis, IN 46204 www.hvafofindiana.org (317) 951-0688

VOA - Volunteers of America 611 N. Capital Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46204 www.voain.org (317) 686-9858

InteCare (SSVF) www.intecare.org (855) 896-4345

Easterseals Crossroads 4745 Kingsway Dr., Indianapolis, IN 46205 <u>www.EastersealsCrossroads.org</u> (317) 466-1000

Operation: Job Ready Veteran 9130 Oatis Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46216 <u>www.ojrv.org</u> (317) 982-7781

HIP - Homeless Initiative Program 1835 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46202

1835 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis, IN 46202 www.indyhealthnet.org (317) 957-2275

Horizon House 1033 E. Washington St., Indianapolis, IN 46201 www.horizonhouse.cc (317) 423-8909

Wheeler Mission 520 E. Market St., Indianapolis, IN 46201 www.wheelermission.org (317) 687-6795

HRH - 2457 E. Washington St. Indy 46201 <u>www.IndyHelpers.com</u> (317) 635-0500

CHIP's Handbook for Help www.chipindy.org (317) 630-0853

Connect2Help | For help, dial "2-1-1" (24/7)



VA Medical Center (VAMC)

1481 West 10th St., Indianapolis, IN 46202 www.indianapolis.va.gov (317) 554-0000

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs -Veterans Benefits Administration 575 N. Penn St., Indianapolis, IN 46204 www.benefits.va.gov/benefits (800) 827-1000

U.S. Veterans Crisis (Suicide) Line (open24/7) www.veteranscrisisline.net (800) 273-TALK (8255) Use your cell phone to Text to 838255 Online Chat: www.veteranscrisisline.net/Chat

IDVA - IN Department of Veterans' Affairs <u>www.in.gov/dva</u> (317) 232-3910

Indy Mayor's Office of Veterans Services www.Indy.gov/veterans (317) 327-VETS (8387)

Advice for finding help: When calling Service Providers, you should always call more than one Service Provider for the things you think you need. Usually, no one service provider can provide you and/or your family with everything you/they may need or be entitled to. It is also recommended that you contact a "Veterans Service Officer" or get help from an experienced counselor, support coach, or case manager from one of the above Service Providers that regularly works with Veterans and active Military personnel. By having one of them interview you, they can better help you determine what services, programs and benefits you may need and/or are entitled to.

Indy's Accredited Veteran Service Officers (VSO's) - (Last Verified 21Sep18 at 1840)							
American AMVETS		DAV MOPH		PVA			
Legion	American Veterans	Disabled American Veterans	Military Order of the Purple Heart	Paralyzed Veterans of America			
575 N Pennsylvania St	575 N Pennsylvania St	575 N Pennsylvania St	575 N Pennsylvania St	575 N Pennsylvania St			
Room 325, Indy 46204 (317) 916-3605	Room 314, Indy 46204 (317) 916-3613	Room 324, Indy 46204 (317) 916-3615	Room 312, Indy 46204 (317) 916-3625	Room 313, Indy 46204 (317) 916-3626			
VFW	VVA	Indy's	IDVA	VA			
Veterans of Foreign Wars	Vietnam Veterans of America	Office of Veterans Services	IN Department of Veterans Affairs	Indy's VA Medical Center			
575 N Pennsylvania St	7202 E 45th St	200 E Washington St	302 W Washington St	1481 W. 10th Street			
Room 319, Indy 46204	Indy 46226	Room 2501, 46204	Room E120, Indy 46204	Indy 46202			
(317) 916-3629	(317) 313-1577	(317) 327-8387	(317) 232-3921	(317) 554-0000			



VSC's Guidelines for Contributors



Everyone is always welcome to attend any VSC meeting or VSC Committee meeting.

Requirements for being are VSC Contributor or VSC Associate:

1) This page is under construction







VSC's Officers & Directors



President, CEO & Director Don Hawkins	Director Ponytail Paul Cauley	Assistant Treasurer & Director Mike Hamm	Assistant Secretary & *Director Paul Norton	Director Thomas Harris	Exec. Vice-President & Director Dave Sassman
Director Dr. Doty Taylor	Treasurer & Director Jerry Morgan	Secretary & Director Ron Sukenick	Director Jim Patton	Director Karen McAndrews	Mascot MAC_V



MACV & VSC's Functions & Responsibilities



Mayors' Advisory Council for Veterans, Inc. (MACV)

Advises Mayors' & City Managers on Veterans Affairs Official Networking organization for Marion County Veterans Organizations

Research Committees: Homeless & Faith Based Health & Wellness Education & Employment Committee meetings; times, dates and places are set by each individual committee.

MACV is a Non-Governmental, Non-Political, IN Non-Profit Corp. MACV is not a Public Charity

Meets: MACV meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 2:00 to 4:00 PM

Responsibilities: 1) Empower the above Committees to finish their goals; 2) Form a 9 to 11-person Steering Committee to bring new ideas and younger generations Veterans to MACV and MACV events; 3) Planning of the Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day events; and 4) Establish a working relationship with the Counties other Mayors and Town Managers.

MACV's Mission: 1) To better serve, inform, and advise the **Mayors' and Town Managers of Marion County** on issues that affect Veterans and Military personnel in our community.

MACV's Goals: To better serve, inform, and advise our **Veterans and Military personnel in Marion County** about services available to them by creating a unified voice and a data base from various organizations in our communities that are already striving to help our Veterans and Military personnel.

Veterans Support Council, Inc. (VSC)

Supports MACV & Other Veterans Services Organizations Official sponsor, promoter & fundraise for MACV & other Veterans events

Research Committees: Marketing & Public Relations Fund-Raising & Sponsor Legislative & Policy Committee meetings; times, dates and places are set by each individual committee.

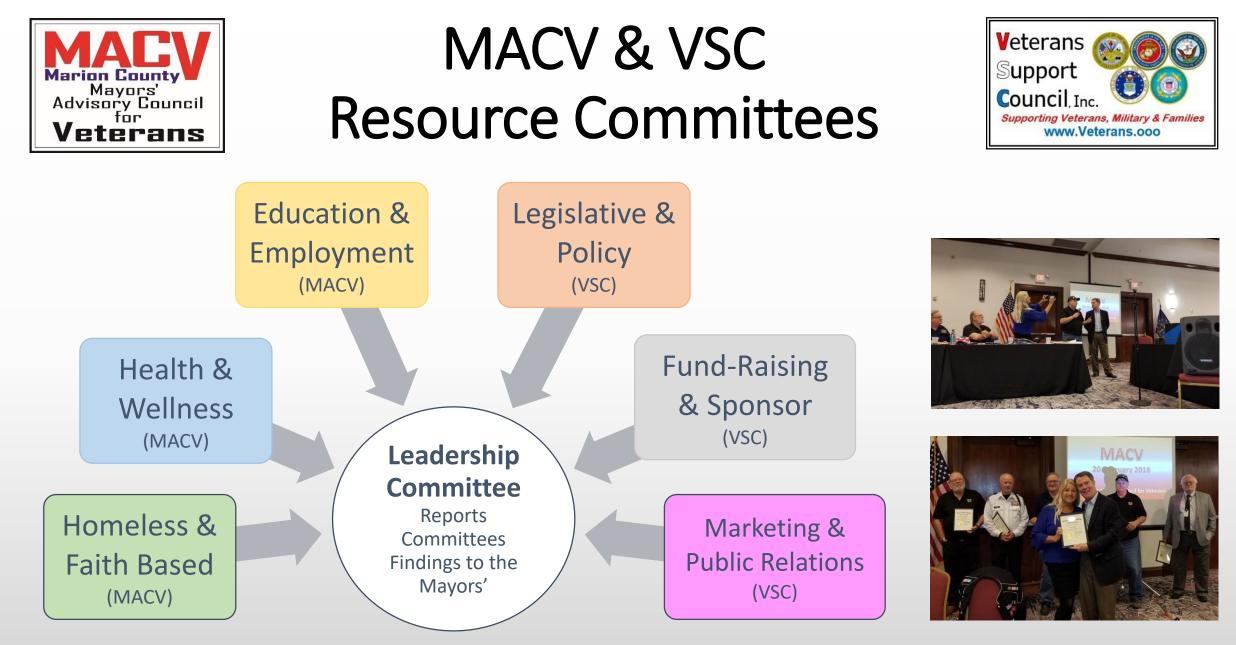
VSC is a Non-Governmental, Non-Political, IN Non-Profit Corp. VSC is an IRS 501 (c)(3) Public Charity.

Meets: VSC's Board of Directors meets quarterly

Responsibilities: 1) Build a Database listing all organizations that offer goods, services, programs and benefits to Marion County Veterans; 2) Raise \$100K per year to support Veterans Awareness and Veterans events; and 3) Empower the above Committees to finish their goals. **Long Term Goals:** 1) Expand VSC's Database to accept Veterans Service Providers from around the country.

VSC's Mission: To support and promote service organizations that serve Veterans, Military Personnel and their Families.

VSC's Goals: 1) To raise funds for and sponsor special Veterans events: the annual Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day event, an annual Appreciation Dinner and various Fund Raisers throughout the year; and 2) Partner with projects that promote, support and inform our Veterans and Military Personnel about the services and benefits available to them and their families.



Each of these six (6) Committees will consist of from 5 to 10 members and have a: 1) Chairperson; 2) Vice Chair Person; and a 3) Secretary (Revised 28Nov18 at 1720) 16



MACV's Steering & Event Planning Committees



MACV's

Event Planning Committee

(Made up of MACV Members & VSC Board Members) Their function is to plan the Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day event every year.

MACV's

Steering Committee

(Made up of 9 to 11 persons of newer and younger MACV Members)
Their function is to provide new ideas, support, advocacy and enablement for helping to make MACV grow.





MACV Leadership Committee



Resource Committee's Guidelines



Suggestions:

- 1) The number of Committee members is not fixed but should consist of from 5 to 10 MACV Members and/or MACV Associates;
- 2) All Committee members <u>do not</u> have to be MACV Members or Veterans;
- 3) The Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary <u>must</u> all be MACV Members;
- 4) The Executive Committee, with input from the Mayors' and Town Manager will <u>suggest</u> an agenda for each Committee;
- 5) Committees choose their own; chair, co-chair, secretary, date, time and place to meet;
- 6) Committees set their own goals and timetables;
- 7) Committees can request visitors to speak at their meetings;
- 8) All Committees should meet at least one time per month before each MACV meeting at a location, date and time of their choosing;
- 9) All Committees are required to give an update of their findings and/or progress to the monthly MACV meeting so the Leadership Committee can compile a monthly report to deliver to the Mayors'.







Suggestions:

Resource Committee Goals

Networking, Networking, Networking

- 1) First and foremost, we didn't want to start another committee just for the sake of having another committee. We wanted these Committees to be working committees that accomplishes something;
- Committees can and should work with other organizations that have similar Committees working on similar topics – Example: CHIP on their CoC homeless and Veterans committees);
- 3) Committees should first identify organizations that offer services and benefits within its assigned topics;
 - We want to make sure that information is shared and added to our web site.
- 4) Committees should focus on ensuring that all Veterans and Military personnel are made aware of everything to which they're entitled (services & benefits), and how they can access it.







Research Committees Chairs, Co-Chairs & Secretaries



MACV / VSC Research Committee Meetings (dates, times & locations vary from committee to committee)							
	Click on the Subcommittee to Learn Who Provides those Services (Revised 26Oct18 at 1200)						
Homeless & Faith Based (MACV Committee)	Health & Wellness (MACV Committee)	Education & Employment (MACV Committee)	Legislative & Policy (VSC Committee)	Marketing & Public Relations (VSC Committee)	Fund-Raising & Sponsor (VSC Committee)		
1:00 PM (Before MACV Monthly Meeting)	1:00 PM (Before MACV Monthly Meeting)	1:00 PM (Before MACV Monthly Meeting)	1:00 PM (Before MACV Monthly Meeting)	1:00 PM (Before MACV Monthly Meeting)	TBD		
Marriott-East	Marriott-East	Marriott-East	Marriot-East	Marriot-East	TBD		

MACV / VSC Committee Managers						
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Tom Harris - Co-Chair Adventist Helping Veterans <u>teharris87@yahoo.com</u> (317) 294-9392	Everybody - Co-Chairs	Everybody - Co-Chairs	Gordon Smith - Co-Chair PDSD Program gordonelvin.smith@yahoo.com (317) 503-8417	Everybody - Co-Chairs	Everybody - Co-Chairs	
David Sassman - Secretary VSC indywiz@icloud.com (317) 313-3710	- Secretary	- Secretary	Donald Peek - Secretary Indy Vet House, DAV,ESGR donaldpeekjr@hotmail.com (317) 750-8873	- Secretary	- Secretary	



Homeless & Faith Based Committee



- Consists of representatives from organizations that have experience in working with Homeless Veterans, and with representatives from Faith Based organizations that are working with Veterans.
 - Housing for Homeless Veterans
 - Faith based groups that help Vets



Not complete, pending the finding from the Committee Chairperson



Health & Wellness Committee



- Consists of representatives from organizations that have experience in working with health / medical and mental / behavioral health issues relevant to our Veterans.
 - Substance Use Disorders
 - Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)
 - Traumatic Bran Injuries (TBIs)
 - Suicide and suicide prevention
 - Health and medical issues
 - Access to appropriate care

Not complete, pending the finding from the Committee Chairperson





Educations & Employment Committee



- Consists of representatives from organizations that have experience in dealing with and helping under-employed and unemployed Veterans who want to obtain a better education and/or a better job.
 - Reintegration
 - Where are the jobs
 - Retraining



Complete, pending publication



Legislative & Policy Committee



- Consists of Directors from VSC and representatives from organizations that have experience in dealing with ways we can help inform the Mayors' on how he can introduce, support, adjust, or amend existing legislation and develop new (non-political) legislative ideas that positively impact our Veterans.
 - Free and Discounted Bus Passes for Veterans
 - Veterans Court





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Marketing & Public Relations Committee



- Consists of Directors from VSC and representatives from organizations that have experience in public relations and in identifying ways to create <u>media</u> <u>awareness</u> about the Indy Veteran population.
- Charged with promoting and educating the general public on how and where Veterans can get the services and benefits to which they are entitled.
- Charged with helping promote the annual:
 - Mayors' Veterans & Family Appreciation Day event
 - Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show, Motorcycle Ride, Picnic, Fish Fry, etc.
 - Primary theme is always "Welcome Home and Thanks For Your Service".
 - Secondary theme can be: Gold Star Moms, POW's, WW II & Korean Vets, etc.

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Fund-Raising & Sponsor Committee



- Consists of Directors from VSC and representatives from organizations that have experience with event planning and funding.
- Charged with promoting the Annual:
 - Mayors' Veterans & Family Appreciation Day event
 - Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show, Motorcycle Ride, Picnic, Fish Fry, etc.
 - Primary theme is always "Welcome Home and Thanks For Your Service".
 - Secondary theme can be: Gold Star Moms, POW's, WW II & Korean Vets, etc.









Mayors' Veterans & Family Appreciation Day at Garfield Park Welcome Home and Thanks For Your Service







Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day at Garfield Park Welcome Home, We Can Never Thank You Enough







VSC Attended Events Made In America Convention











Mayors' Advisory Council for Veterans



- If you are interested in participating in MACV or VSC, please visit one of our monthly meetings.
 - MACV's monthly Networking meetings are always on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Marriott-East (21st & N. Shadeland Ave.) from 2:00 to 4:00 PM
 - VSC & Committee meetings are from 1:00 to 2:00 PM before MACV meetings.
- If you need assistance obtaining additional information on goods, services, programs or benefits for Veterans or Military personnel, call 317-917-0500 or 317-327-4VET, or visit our website at www.Veterans.ooo or www.VSC.ooo
- MACV & VSC contact information:

Don Hawkins, Chairman of MACV & President of VSC <u>Hawkins@VSC.000</u> at 317-632-0500.



God Bless America