

A photograph of a man, Travis Mills, sitting on a bed of pine needles in a forest. He is wearing a plaid shirt and khaki pants. He has four prosthetic limbs: two arms and two legs. A baby, Chloe Mills, is sitting on his shoulders, wearing a white shirt and blue overalls. A small American flag is on the ground to the left. In the top right corner, there is a large, stylized American flag graphic. The text "with gratitude" is written in red and white in the upper right area.

with gratitude

Chloe Mills sits on the shoulders of her father, Travis Mills.
Travis is an Afghanistan war veteran and quadruple amputee. | Courtesy of Fotolanthropy

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Remembering our veterans

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The men and women who defend the liberties and freedoms of the countries they represent hold a special place in people’s hearts and an eternal spot in their countries’ histories. Any opportunity is a good time to commemorate the bravery and selfless deeds of military personnel, but certain prominent holidays in November make this an especially important time to thank veterans for their service. November 11 is Veterans Day in the United States and Remembrance Day in Canada. It’s also known as Armistice Day in other parts of the world. These holidays honor all military veterans who have provided service to their countries, and that each falls on Nov. 11 is no coincidence, as the day commemorates the anniversary of the end of World War I on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918. Many places around the world pause

and remember fallen veterans on November 11, but a good majority of Veterans Day and Remembrance Day commemorative events focus on past and current veterans who are still alive. There are many ways to honor the military at home and abroad in time for the November festivities. The following are just a handful of ways to show appreciation for military men and women.

- When dining out, ask your server if you can pay the tab for a soldier or veteran you see in the restaurant.
- Attend a military parade with your family and explain the significance of the day to children in attendance.
- Draft letters and send care packages to soldiers currently in service far away from home.
- Ask your company if Veterans Day or Remembrance Day can be an observed holiday at your place of business each year to pay homage to servicemen and women.

- Visit a military memorial in a city near you. Your town also may have its own memorial.
- Petition town officials to erect a memorial if your town does not already have one. Such memorials can be a source of inspiration for your community.
- Support a military family in your town who may be missing a loved one stationed elsewhere. Make meals, mow the lawn, help with grocery shopping, or simply provide emotional support. Volunteer time at a veterans’ hospital. You may be able to read with veterans or engage in other activities.
- Get involved with a military support charity that can provide muchneeded funds to struggling families or disabled veterans.
- Have children speak with veterans in your family, including grandparents, uncles and aunts or even their own parents. It can help them gain perspective on the important roles the military plays.
- Ask a veteran to give a commencement speech at a school or to be the guest of honor at a special function.
- Drive disabled veterans to doctors’ appointments or to run any errands.
- Support a local VFW organization.
- Create a scrapbook for a veteran in your life.
- Cheer for or thank military personnel each time you see them.
- Visit the veterans’ portion of a nearby cemetery and place poppies or other flowers on the graves.
- Always keep the military on your mind and never forget those who have served and didn’t return home.
- Armistice Day, Remembrance Day and Veterans Day are great ways to honor past and current military for their service and sacrifice.



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War Survivors Unite in Remembrance and Reflection As Part of Veterans Day Line-Up on PBS



COURTESY OF MARK W. STEVENS
Tsuruji Akikusa, a radioman in the Imperial Japanese Navy, is one of fewer than a thousand Japanese defenders of Iwo Jima to survive the battle.



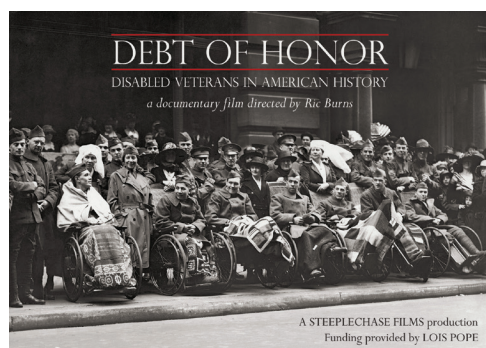
COURTESY OF DVIDS - U.S. MARINE CORPS PHOTO BY MCIPAC
A powerful handshake of friendship on the island of Iwo Jima on March 21, 2015. Japanese and American survivors of the fierce 1945 battle returned to the island for a Reunion of Honor on the only battlefield where former enemies come together in friendship.



COURTESY OF MARK W. STEVENS
Japanese veteran Tsuruji Akikusa (left), with Dan King (right), author of "A Tomb Called Iwo Jima," holding a Japanese flag that had been brought back to the U.S. as a souvenir during WWII. Mr. Akikusa was astonishingly able to locate the family of the man to whom it belonged.



COURTESY OF DVIDS - U.S. MARINE CORPS PHOTO BY MCIPAC
The Reunion of Honor was founded by Lt. General Lawrence Snowden, USMC (Ret.) - so that veterans from both sides could return to Iwo Jima - this time in peace. Despite being wounded twice during brutal combat, Snowden has sought friendship with his former enemies since the war's end.



COURTESY OF STEEPLECHASE FILMS

PBS will explore the lasting impact of war in new documentaries airing around Veterans Day. Through moving interviews with survivors from WWII to the War on Terror, the featured documentaries share personal stories from disabled veterans and reunited former enemies on opposite sides of the battlefield.

And although the programs will actually air before Veterans Day, those interested can purchase the videos for \$19.99 each by visiting shoppbs.org or calling 800-531-4727.

PBS is offering viewers the chance to take an

unforgettable journey back to the iconic site of one of the fiercest battles of World War II. "Iwo Jima: From Combat to Comrades" is the powerful and moving story of American and Japanese servicemen who came together 70 years later for a historic reunion in March 2015. This island battlefield is the only former combat zone in the world that sees past enemies return as friends in a ceremony of peace and remembrance. "Flags of Our Fathers" actor Ryan Phillippe will host.

A new documentary film by six-time Emmy Award-winning director Ric Burns titled, "Debt of Honor: Disabled Veterans in American History."

This film, examines the way in which the American government and society as a whole have regarded disabled veterans throughout history, beginning in the aftermath of the Revolutionary War and continuing through today's conflicts in the Middle East. The film combines personal stories, told by distinguished disabled

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COURTESY OF BETTMAN/CORBIS
An American soldier collapses in his hands from the strain of fighting along the Taegu front, South Korea, 1950.



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Revolutionary War veteran Adam Link, photographed at age 102, 1864.



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A disabled veteran is taught woodworking as part of a vocational training program.



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Marines raised the American flag of victory atop Mt. Suribachi on February 23, 1945 - only 5 days into the 36 day battle of Iwo Jima. This is the most reproduced photograph of WWII and perhaps of all time.

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veterans, with deep history narrated by leading scholars in the fields of disability studies, history and psychology to illustrate the human cost of war and the enormous sacrifices of military service. These sacrifices are brought to life through hundreds of carefully curated still images and archival footage from across the country.

"Through the very real and heart-wrenching personal stories told by war veterans, PBS hopes to shine a brighter light on the realities of life after battle," said Beth Hoppe, chief programming executive and general manager of general audience programming at PBS. "At its core, our programs seek to provide viewers with a better understanding of the men and women who stood on the front lines. This year, we not only show viewers how veterans are living beyond their battle wounds and disabilities, but also how some veterans on opposing sides have sought to reunite."


Both programs are part of PBS Stories of

Service, a multi-platform initiative exploring veterans' experiences and providing a deeper understanding of our country's military history. Viewers are invited to join the conversation in social media using the hashtag #ServiceStoriesPBS and access a rich library of more than 50 archival programs and resources for educators, students and veterans at pbs.org/storiesofservice.

The Stories of Service initiative was announced in May 2014 along with a community engagement campaign for select PBS member stations and their local veterans and funded by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, called Veterans Coming Home. The PBS programming under Stories of Service, some with funding support from CPB, includes a comprehensive list of titles, many of which can be found here. The initiative runs through 2017 with the premiere of Ken Burns and Lynn Novick's "The Vietnam War."



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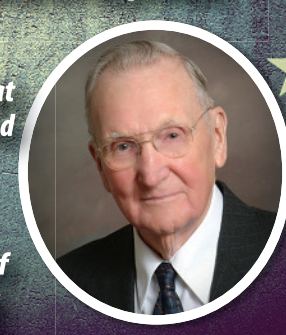
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How to show appreciation for military personnel

Courtesy of Metro News Service

Military personnel are unsung heroes whose sacrifices for their country make it possible for hundreds of millions of people to enjoy freedoms that many people across the globe do not have. In recognition of those sacrifices, many people want to show their appreciation to both active and retired servicemen and women. Fortunately, there are many ways to do just that.

Pitch in at home. According to the United States Department of Defense, the United States military currently deploys active duty personnel in nearly 150 countries. Many of those troops are separated from their families for months at a time, and that separation can make things difficult for their loved ones back home. If a neighbor's spouse is deployed overseas, offer to help around the house. Whether it's mowing their

lawn, dropping their kids off at school or inviting the whole family over for dinner one night each week, such gestures can go a long way toward easing the burden faced by spouses of deployed military personnel.

Send gifts to active personnel. Servicemen and women on active duty do not enjoy many of the luxuries that tend to be taken for granted back home. But men and women who want to show their appreciation can send care packages to active personnel serving overseas. An organization such as Operation Gratitude (operationgratitude.com), which to date has sent nearly 1.3 million care packages to active personnel, sends care packages filled with snacks, entertainment, personal hygiene products and handmade items. This provides active personnel a taste of home while also letting them know their extraor-

dinary efforts are appreciated and not forgotten.

Volunteer at a veterans hospital. Unfortunately, many servicemen and women return home from their deployments with injuries or health conditions that require longterm care. By volunteering at veteran hospitals, men and women can help veterans overcome their injuries and provide muchneeded help to staff at hospitals that could use a helping hand. Visit volunteer.va.gov for more information.

Make a financial donation. For those who want to support servicemen and women but don't have much free time to do so, financial donations can go a long way toward improving the quality of life of active and retired military personnel. Many programs work with veterans to improve their quality of life, and such organizations rely heavily on financial donations

to make their missions a reality. The Wounded Warrior Project (woundedwarriorproject.org), for example, works to honor and empower servicemen and women who incurred physical or mental injuries or illnesses on or after September 11, 2001. The organization relies on the generosity of individuals who want to help wounded military personnel overcome their injuries and illnesses. Based on audited financial statements of the 2014 fiscal ending on September 30, 2014, 80.6 percent of total expenditures went to services and programs catering to wounded military personnel and their families, assuring prospective donors that their donations will go toward helping those in need.

There are many ways that civilians can express their gratitude to active and retired military personnel.



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The Summit Project

On Oct. 17, hikers from The Summit Project converged on Acadia National Park's highest peak as part of The Summit Project, a unique living memorial that honors Maine's military service members who have died since Sept. 11, 2001. Each hiker carried to the summit an engraved stone donated by the families of the deceased and retrieved from significant places of the fallen.

The hikers come from all over the state, and as far away as New York City. Their backgrounds are diverse — current military members, veterans, parents, professionals — but they all have one thing in common: A desire to honor and an unfaltering respect for our military men and women.

We thank this dedicated group for their efforts and share their stories here, in hopes that you, too, will be inspired.

"We accomplished our mission and made our state stronger because we honored our heroes and made a commitment to carry on their unfinished work."



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David J. Cote — a Marine Corps officer, Iraq war veteran and native Mainer — explains how he created The Summit Project with influence from main sources:

1. Mainers are veterans.

Veterans comprise nearly 15 percent of our state's population ranking among the very highest veteran populations of any state in America. Put another way, nearly 1 in 7 Maine adults is a veteran. Maine's patriotism and commitment to service in our Armed Forces is nothing short of

extraordinary. We must match with equal devotion, our commitment to them. They served us, we must now serve them by remembering them and taking care of our living veterans. I hope this memorial can help tell the stories of a generation of brave Maine veterans who did not return home but whose service and sacrifice must never be forgotten.

This is a story of our generation of Maine service members — a story that needs to be told. The Summit Project gives us an opportunity to

say to our veterans, 'You did your job.' You served with honor. You made us proud. We are connected to you and continue to learn from your example. We are inspired by you because we took the time to learn about you. We do not forget you.

2. With an elevation of 14,505, Mt. Whitney is the tallest summit in the contiguous United States. By happenstance, I was invited to hike that peak over Labor Day

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weekend 2012 during my graduate studies in Monterey, California. I coincidentally walked into the Naval Postgraduate School's Trident Room (our Officer's club and lounge where I would watch Patriots games) while an annual planning meeting with some Navy SEALs was in progress. Those trip leaders were friends of mine, classmates from the U.S. Naval Academy and Naval Postgraduate School. I told them Whitney was always a goal of mine, they had an extra spot on their SEAL-only hike, invited me to join, and just like that I was on the trip.

The one way distance to the summit is over 11 miles, and we ascended over 6,100 feet in elevation change from Whitney Portal. Starting at midnight, we reached Whitney peak around sunrise and unbeknownst to anyone else, the SEAL hikers had carried within their packs, 10-pound stones to honor their own fallen brothers, a new rock for each fallen SEAL within the past 12 months. The SEALs placed the stones in a secret crevice on the Whitney summit and I barely had enough time to snap a photo before we began our descent. That image remained burned in my mind for about a full year until I had an idea.

Ever since that hike, and coupled with Maine's commitment to serve, I've been inspired to honor our own fallen Maine heroes with memorial stones, but to also make The Summit Project a living memorial to help build and bolster community. I wanted to allow anyone to participate in TSP, and honor the fallen through meaningful action, community involvement and physical exertion. I wanted to capture the stories of our fallen heroes, but I also imagined the meta story of the travels that each stone would take as countless hikers carry it to help keep our heroes' memories alive. TSP has truly become a living memorial where we carry their stone for a hike, and we carry their stories for a lifetime. Our surviving family members know their loved ones are not forgotten.

In the days before this year's Acadia National Park's Cadillac Mountain hike on Oct. 17, organizers of The Summit Project profiled hikers who had volunteered to be part of the experience. We invite you to read why they chose to participate in the living memorial to honor and sustain the memories of Maine's post 9/11 fallen heroes.

(Stories have been edited for the purpose of this publication)

Tatiana Whitlock

My name is Tatiana Whitlock and I an industrial designer and firearms instructor from South Portland. I am a mother of two children ages 5 and 6 years old and a proud Mainer. Exploring, hiking, hunting and fishing in our majestic state is one of my family's favorite pastimes.

This October will mark my second hike up Cadillac Mountain with the Summit Project in honor of our fallen hero's. As a firearms instructor I have the great pleasure of working with many of our nation's first responders, active duty corpsmen and women and veterans. As a result, I am fortunate to come to know many of the families behind these courageous individuals. The enormity of the sacrifice made on a daily basis not only by the veteran themselves by buy their families is immeasurable. With great respect and appreciation I will carry the "Sacrifice" stone in their honor with Team Bubble to the top of Cadillac.

Participating in a Summit Project memorial hike is unlike any other memorial program I have volunteered with to date. The wellspring of emotion and gratitude that the hike and summit tribute evokes from all who participate is overwhelming. This kind of program is one that I hope to see spread nationwide and reignite the patriotic bond between our veterans, their families and communities.

By participating in this year's Acadia National Park hike, we each have the chance to carry the torch that much farther and remember those whose made the ultimate sacrifice. This is the example of respect, honor and gratitude that I wish to model for the next generation and the legacy I wish to leave my children.

Jedediah Philpot

My name is Jedediah Philpot from Embden. I am a United States Army Recruiter.

When I am not recruiting, one thing that I like to do in my spare time, something I'm passionate about, is fishing. Being on the water and spending time with my wife, Shasta, and daughter, Maeve.

I love Maine because there is no other state like it. I grew up here and absolutely love this state. This is my first climb up Cadillac. I volunteered to be part of The Summit Project at Acadia National Park 2015 living memorial hike because is important to me to remember the ones that are not with us anymore and to make sure

their memory lives on.

I am a veteran, too, and served in Iraq and Afghanistan.

I hope that by participating in The Summit Project I can help bring awareness to the fallen in the State of Maine.

I am preparing to hike with Sgt. Jason W. Swiger's memorial stone. I have learned that he was a very giving person, he always seemed to place himself before others. I want to embody his value of selfless service.

As I hike up the mountain, and my pack gets heavy, I will think about his sense of generosity. One way I hope to keep his memory alive is by connecting with his family and hoping that my connection as a veteran will allow them some confidence that there are extremely generous people that still care about their son's legacy.

When the hike gets tough I will think about or reflect on the fact that Sgt. Swiger had a deep set of beliefs and values that made him carry on, even in death.

Chad Januskiewicz

My name is Chad Januskiewicz and I married my high school sweetheart and best friend. Together we live in rural Maine with our kids. I'm very grateful to have two jobs working in the IT field.

When I'm not in front of a screen you will likely find me outdoors. I like to hike, swim, kayak and spend time with my wife and kids. I am very thankful and proud to be an American, and I have great respect for those who have given their tomorrow for our today.

This last time I was on Cadillac Mountain was with my father hiking the Precipice trail about 28 years ago. I choose to volunteer because I believe in the mission of TSP, and I am very thankful to be a part of this tribute hike.

I feel very overwhelmed hiking with a memorial stone in honor of Air Force Senior Airman Dustin I. Hadfield. When I was assigned his stone and read about his story, I was deeply saddened by his loss. During the video interview with his mom, Linda, I learned that Dustin always liked to make others laugh, had an early passion to serve, and had a big heart. I hope to apply these traits that Dustin had in his life daily to mine. I hope to do my best and carry Dustin's stone/story with me on this hike and for years to come.

Because of TSP Dustin will be remembered, his story will not pass away, his family can be comforted by our actions of honor and respect for their loss, they will know we care about them and that their

sacrifice mattered. Through TSP, Dustin's life can continue to have a significant positive impact on the lives of others he never met. I don't know of a better way to honor that sacrifice.

Scott Tarbox

My name is Scott Tarbox and I live in Sanford. I've been in the flooring business for 14 years. When I'm not working, I enjoy a spending time with my family camping, riding my motorcycle, and being part of the Patriot Riders.

I have lived in Maine my entire life except for one miserable year, when I lived in Houston, Texas. I always say Houston has two seasons: hot and hotter. I love Maine because it is by far the most beautiful state that I have ever been in, and we have four seasons.

I never served in the military, but I respect and honor anybody and everybody who has. I currently have a son in the U.S. Army, stationed at Fort Drum, New York in the 10th Mountain Division.

I have the honor of carry-
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ing Andrew Hutchins' stone. I believe that Andrew's stone is the second heaviest stone that TSP currently has. During the hike, when I feel Andrew's stone getting heavier and more difficult for me to carry, I will think about when Andrew was in training and put 70 pounds of weights in his rucksack. Andrew's father, Jeff, was the very first Gold Star father that I ever met. I will never forget the day when Jeff was explaining to me about the Gold Star pin that was on his U.S. Army hat while we were sitting in a conference room at MEPS (Military Entry Processing Station). I have been involved in several TSP events, but this is the first time that I am hiking with a stone. I'm very honored to be able to be part of TSP and keep the memories of our fallen alive.



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In preparation for The Summit Project at Acadia National Park 2015, one of TSP's most dedicated volunteers, Catherine "Lenny" Frost, in-house photographer and media specialist, wrote this poem.

Heavy Pack

I think about the fallen who answered a call then left us solemn,
but not broken.
Proud among the pain
of a life selflessly sacrificed
for dreams of freedom.
And pray that their bravery, made by God, helps save us from each other.
I think about family. How when we are surrounded with love
we are grounded in grace.
And grief eases — if only for a day.
I think about faith and how in the face of such grief
there's relief
when we come together to be carried on the open back of humanity.



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Travis Mills Foundation

On April 10, 2012, U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Travis Mills of the 82nd Airborne was critically injured on his third tour of duty in Afghanistan by an improvised explosive device. He is one of only five quadruple amputees from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan to survive his injuries.

And while it would have been easy to give up, Mills took a different approach and his story is far from over.

During his recovery at Walter Reed Medical Center, Mills found a passion for inspiring fellow wounded servicemen and women. He consistently toured the facility seeking opportunities to encourage and spend time with fellow wounded soldiers and their families, earning him the nickname as the facility's "mayor."

To carry on his passion, Mills started the Travis Mills Foundation, a nonprofit organization, formed to benefit and assist wounded and injured veterans and their families. Travis continues to inspire wounded ser-

vicemen, women and their families by showing them they can overcome their physical obstacles and emotional challenges and find purpose by staying the course through their recovery and beyond.

Most recently, the foundation purchased The Maine Chance Lodge overlooking Long Pond in Rome. Once owned by cosmetics pioneer Elizabeth Arden, the scenic retreat is being turned into a place for members of the military wounded in combat, disabled veterans and their families to relax and recuperate.

The Bangor Daily News is grateful for the efforts of Travis Mills and the thousands of other U.S. military men and women who have fought for our freedom. As a sign of our appreciation, we will be donating a portion of the proceeds from this year's Veterans Day special section to the Travis Mills Foundation.

"Never Give Up. Never Quit."

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AUGUSTA, Maine - (03/03/2015)
Travis Mills, a retired U.S. Army staff sergeant of the 82nd Airborne, wounded warrior, motivational speaker, actor and advocate for veterans and amputees, signs purchasing paperwork for the Maine Chance Lodge, built in 1929 in Rome, and was once owned by cosmetics pioneer, Elizabeth Arden. The lodge will be made into a retreat for combat-wounded disabled veterans.



Maine Chance Lodge

Veterans Day: Initiatives Helping Veterans Apply Skills, Experience to Business Leadership

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Of the 24 million veterans in the U.S., nearly one in 10 is a small business owner and veterans as a whole are 45 percent more likely than those with no military experience to be self employed, according to U.S. Census Bureau Data. Experts say that these figures should come as no surprise.

"When veterans reenter civilian life, they carry with them the discipline, hard work and strategic thinking acquired and developed during military service. They take pride in these skills and strive to use them during their next phase of life," says Tim Davis, a veteran and president of The UPS Store, which offers a number of initiatives designed to promote veteran entrepreneurship. "Veterans are extremely likely to be successful entrepreneurs. Sometimes the challenge is finding that opportunity."

Despite the bleak headlines regarding the variety of problems faced by returning veterans, The UPS Store is a good example of a business taking steps to change the dialogue and offer these entrepreneurial opportunities.

For example, their participation in the Veterans Transition Franchise Initiative (VetFran) is helping veterans obtain the resources they need to become their own boss, and the results have been notable. In fact, of the 4,400 UPS Stores, 250 are owned by veterans.

Other programs sponsored by various universities and the U.S. Small Business Administration are offering returning veterans training and mentoring, grants, and access to business development opportunities.

Davis, who believes military skills easily translate to the business world, encourages other corporations and organizations to begin similar measures in their operations.

Veterans' Day is a good time to learn more. Visit theupsstorefranchise.com.

From strong leadership skills to focused work ethic to a comfort with procedures, the characteristics exhibited during one's service in the military can translate well to the world of business, say experts.

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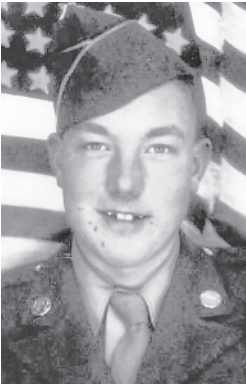
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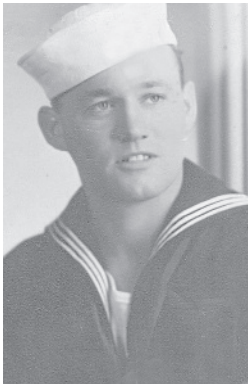
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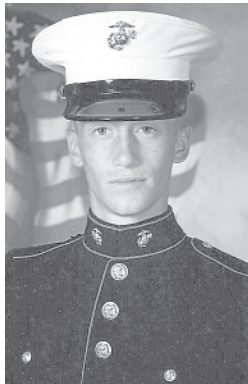


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Nearly \$4M awarded to aid veterans with housing needs in Maine

By Johanna S. Billings, BDN Staff

MACHIAS, Maine — Federal grants totaling nearly \$4 million have been awarded to three organizations to help combat homelessness among veterans in Maine.

A \$290,000 grant to the Washington Hancock Community Agency marks the third year the agency has received funding from the Department of Veterans Affairs, said Jennifer Trowbridge, housing and veterans services director for the Washington Hancock Community Agency.

Grants aimed at ending veteran homelessness also were awarded to the Portland-based social services provider Preble Street in the amount of \$1,683,966 and Veterans Inc., which serves veterans in Maine and throughout New England, in the amount of \$2 million as part of the Supportive Services for Veteran Families program, according to a news release issued Monday by U.S. Rep. Bruce Poliquin.

Over the past two years, the Washington Hancock Community Agency has used the VA's Supportive Services for Veteran Families grant funds to help about 140 veterans and their families avoid homelessness, Trowbridge said. In the coming year, the agency expects to help another 100 veterans who are either homeless or in danger of becoming homeless in Washington, Hancock and Aroostook counties, she said.

Up to half of the funding can be used for temporary financial assistance such as rent, security deposits or moving expenses, she said.

"How much per household depends on that household's situation," Trowbridge said. "Sometimes they need \$200. Sometimes they need \$1,000."

The program works by first providing whatever immediate assistance is needed to get the client housing. After that, the agency works with the client on budgeting, finding employment and getting other needed services such as medical assistance through the Veterans Administration.

"The end goal is they are stably housed through a housing plan," Trowbridge said.

In announcing the grants, Poliquin said, "Our Veterans answered the ultimate call of duty to protect our freedoms and special way of life. This [funding] will help organizations, such as Preble Street, Washington Hancock Community Agency and Veterans Inc., ensure our veterans and their families receive the services and resources they were promised, earned and deserve."

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