

*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](http://www.Veterans.ooo/MACV.html)  
MACV is a Non-Political, Non-Profit IN Corp. that Advises the Mayors' on Veterans Needs & Programs



[www.Veterans.ooo](http://www.Veterans.ooo) or [www.VSC.ooo](http://www.VSC.ooo)  
VSC is a Non-Political, Non-Profit, IN Corp. that Supports Veterans, Military & Families.

### **Who We Consider To Be a Veteran:**

**Veteran** - Title 38 of the Code (Federal Regulations) defines a Veteran as “a person who served 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 are not full-time active duty military 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 18 January 2011 at American Legion Post 500.
    - August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 was our 1<sup>st</sup> Mayor's Veterans Appreciation Day event
    - August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020 will be our 10<sup>th</sup> Mayors' Veterans 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



**To Network with, Partner and Support, Marion County Veteran Service Organizations and Service Providers that offer goods, services, programs and benefits to our Veterans, Military, and their Families.**



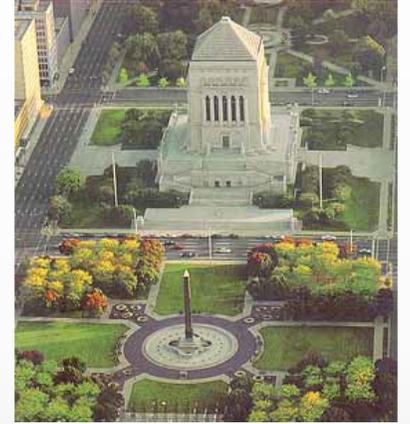


# MACV's Goals



To Better Serve, Inform, and Advise the **Mayors' and Town Managers of Marion County** on issues that affect Veterans, Military and their Families in our community.

To Better Serve, Inform, and Advise our Marion County **Veterans, Military and their Families** about goods, services, programs and benefits available to them by helping VSC build a database compiled from all organizations in and around Marion County that are already striving to help our Veterans, Military and their Families.

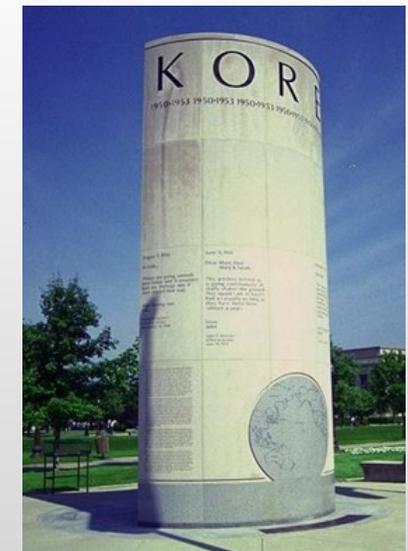




# MACV's Monthly Networking Program



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](http://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 MACV's Speakers Coordinator)

**MACV always meets the third Tuesday of each month at the \*Marriott-East (21<sup>st</sup> & 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 Team



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



| President & CEO  | Executive Vice-President   | Secretary  | Treasurer  | Chairman Steering Committee  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Don Hawkins  | Charlie Russell  | Bonnie Wooten  | Jerry Morgan   | Stacy Dieckman   |
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| Committees Coordinator   | Speakers Coordinator   | Events Coordinator   | Newsletter Coordinator   | Social Media Coordinator   |
| Jim Patton   | Ron Sukenick   | Dave Sassman   | Gunta Irbe   | Noreen Gilliland   |

(Elected on the 21<sup>st</sup> of January 2020 to serve until the 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2020 or until new elections are held.)

(Revised 21Jan20 at 2340)



# MACV Expanded



- In 2015 MACV invited our sister cities of Beach Grove, Lawrence, Southport, 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, websites, 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  |
|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |   |   |   |   |
| <p><b>Joseph Hogsett</b><br/>Mayor</p>  | <p><b>Steve Collier</b><br/>Mayor</p>   | <p><b>Dennis Buckley</b><br/>Mayor</p>  | <p><b>Russell McClure</b><br/>Mayor</p>   | <p><b>Jacob Blasdel</b><br/>Town Manager</p>  |
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# MACV Partners with VSC



- **MACV** is a Non-Political, Non-Profit Program that Advises 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 but will accept in-kind products or services.
- **VSC** is a Non-Political, Non-Profit Indiana Corporation that Supports MACV, MAC Events, and our Veterans, Military and their Families. VSC was formed on the 6<sup>th</sup> 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.
  - VSC & MACV work together on the "*Mayors Event Planning Committee*" to plan and coordinate the annual 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:

**To Partner with and Support, All** Veteran Service Organizations and Service Providers that offer goods, services, programs and benefits to our Veterans, Military, and their Families through VSC's Resource Center and Website.

**To Promote Awareness,** by encouraging communities and Veteran Organizations to get more involved by helping them bring awareness of various Veterans issues on ways to help support Veterans, Military and their Families in their communities.



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





# VSC's Goals & Vision



## VSC's Goals:

**To Raise Funds for Special Veteran Projects**, such as: 1) The annual "*Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day*" event; 2) An annual Veterans Appreciation Dinner; 3) Initiate various fundraisers throughout the year, including concerts and job fairs; and 4) Partner with other Veteran Organizations and Veteran Groups, such as MACV, that promote, support and inform our Veterans, Military and their Families about the goods, services, programs and benefits available to them.

## VSC's Vision:

**To Bring Together Veteran Organizations and Service Providers to Help Build a Nationwide Database** that will compile, local, state and federal information on where Veterans, Military and their Families can get the goods, services, programs and benefits they will need to help them succeed. This information will be shared with all other organizations, Veterans, Military and their Families.



**Press Conference:**  
City of Indianapolis awards  
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# VSC's Officers & Directors



|  |  |   |  |                                     |   |
|--|--|---|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| <p>President, CEO &amp; Director<br/>Don Hawkins</p> | <p>Director<br/>Ponytail Paul Cauley</p>         | <p>Assistant Treasurer &amp; Director<br/>Mike Hamm</p> | <p>Assistant Secretary &amp; *Director<br/>Paul Norton</p> | <p>Director<br/>Thomas Harris</p>   | <p>Exec. Vice-President &amp; Director<br/>Dave Sassman</p> |
|  |  |   |  |                                     |   |
| <p>Director<br/>Dr. Doty Taylor</p>                  | <p>Treasurer &amp; Director<br/>Jerry Morgan</p> | <p>Secretary &amp; Director<br/>Ron Sukenick</p>        | <p>Director<br/>Jim Patton</p>                             | <p>Director<br/>Karen McAndrews</p> |   |
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# 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

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**MACV's Goals:** To Better Serve, Inform, and Advise the **Mayors' and Town Managers of Marion County** on issues that affect Veterans, Military and their Families in our community. To Better Serve, Inform, and Advise our Marion County **Veterans, Military and their Families** about goods, services, programs and benefits available to them by helping VSC build a database compiled from all organizations in and around Marion County that are already striving to help our Veterans, Military and their Families.

## 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.

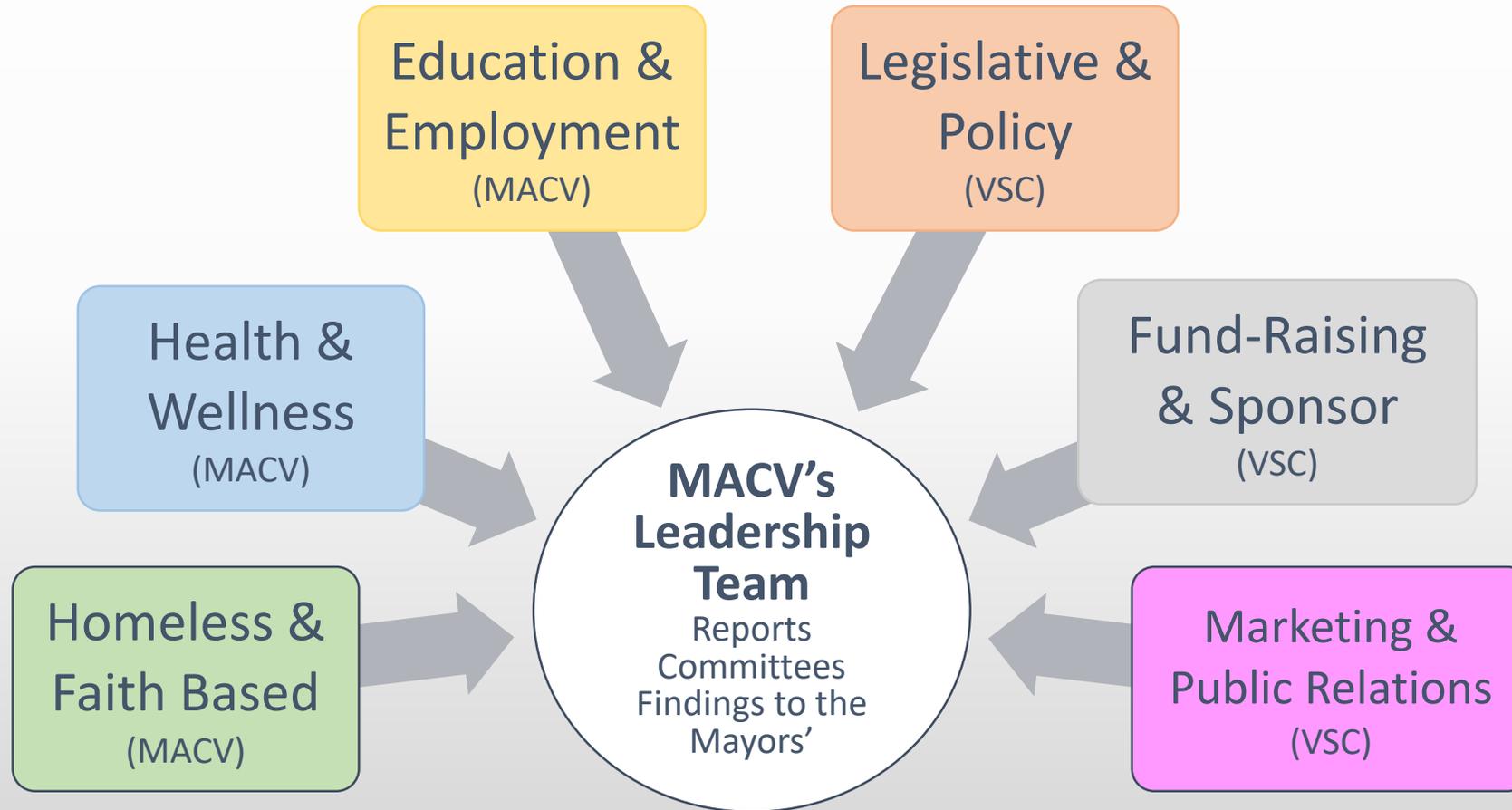
**VSC's Mission:** To Partner with and Support, All Veteran Service Organizations and Service Providers that offer goods, services, programs and benefits to our Veterans, Military, and their Families through VSC's Resource Center and Website.

**To Promote Awareness,** by encouraging communities and Veteran Organizations to get more involved by helping them bring awareness of various Veterans issues on ways to help support Veterans, Military and their Families in their communities.

**VSC's Goals:** To Raise Funds for Special Veteran Projects, such as: 1) The annual "Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day" event; 2) An annual Veterans Appreciation Dinner; (see website for add info)



# MACV & VSC Resource Committees



Each of these six (6) Committees will consist of from 5 to 10 members and have a: 1) Chairperson; 2) Vice Chairperson; and a 3) Secretary



# MACV's Steering & Event Planning Committees



**Mayors' 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's Leadership Team**





# 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 do not have to be MACV Members or Veterans;
- 3) The Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary must all be MACV Members;
- 4) MACV's Leadership Team, with input from the Mayors' and Town Manager will suggest 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 Team can compile a monthly/quartely report to deliver to the Mayors'.





# Resource Committee Goals

## Networking, Networking, Networking



### Suggestions:

- 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;
- 2) 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.





# 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 media awareness 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.

**Not complete, pending the finding from the Committee Chairperson**





# 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.
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# Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day at Garfield Park

## Welcome Home, We Can Never Thank You Enough





# Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day Marion County Fairgrounds

Please Support our 2019 Platinum, Gold, Silver & Bronze Sponsors



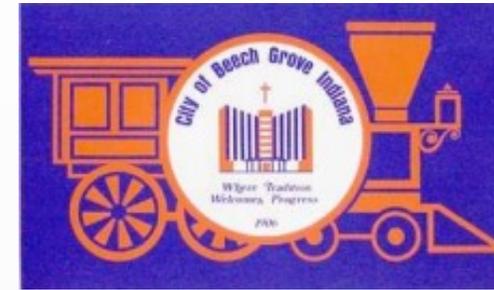
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# Mayors' Veterans Appreciation Day Marion County Fairgrounds

Please Support our 2019 Red, White, Blue, In-Kind Sponsors & Partners



American Red Cross  
Indiana Region



Indianapolis Fruit  
Distributors of Fruits  
Vegetables & Floral



# Mayors' Advisory Council for Veterans



- If you are interested in working with in MACV or VSC, please visit one of our monthly meetings.
  - MACV's monthly Networking meetings are always on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month at the Marriott-East (21<sup>st</sup> & N. Shadeland Ave.) from 2:00 to 4:00 PM
  - 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, Military and their Families, call 317-917-0500 or 317-327-4VET, or visit our website at [www.Veterans.ooo](http://www.Veterans.ooo) or [www.VSC.ooo](http://www.VSC.ooo)
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