



HVAF Board Member Danny Portee hosted a Thanksgiving lunch at the Skyline Club for our veterans... with an amazing view of Monument Circle!

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Introduction

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Charles Rainey



Dear HVAF supporters:

2018 was a continual celebration of the many inroads made by HVAF in addressing homelessness in the veteran population over the past 25 years. This year's celebrations included our 25th Annual Meeting where we reflected and celebrated on how we have served Indy's homeless veteran population since 1993; Indianapolis Mayor Joe Hogsett announced the homeless veteran population in the city decreased by 20 percent; and we hosted another successful Operation Alpha—where we raised \$37,000, thanks to your support and generosity.

But perhaps there is no greater recognition of past accomplishments than when community partners place great trust in you and HVAF received this validation at the end of the year, when we received a \$5 million grant from Lilly Endowment, Inc.

"The Board of Directors is very pleased with the progress we made in 2018 that you will read of in this annual report."

The Board of Directors is very pleased with the progress we made in 2018 that you will read of in this Donor Impact Report. We are grateful for the thoughtful planning by HVAF's staff, who remain committed to addressing the under-met needs of homeless or near-homeless veterans.

As we lean into our second quarter century and execute our vision for the next 25 years we want to acknowledge the impact that our donors, volunteers, community partners, and staff have had on Central Indiana's most vulnerable veterans knowing that we can count on your continued support. The goal of effectively ending homelessness in the veteran population is alive and is closer to being realized than ever before. With your help, it will be accomplished.

Sincerely, Charles Rainey

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO

Brian Copes



Dear HVAF supporters:

Thank you to our professional workforce, our engaged Directors, our faithful volunteers, our generous donors, and our loyal partners. 2018 was a VERY busy year with 2019 increasing our momentum and 2020 poised for continued acceleration.

2018 will long be known as "the year we got the Lilly grant." HVAF receiving a \$5,000,000 (I like typing all those zeros) grant focused on financial sustainability is a game-changer for us. The creation of a \$4.25M endowment creates future options and opportunities. Perhaps more importantly, HVAF receiving the "Lilly stamp of approval" significantly enhances our perceived brand value. The Lilly Endowment vote of confidence sends a powerfully positive message that "HVAF is worth investing in" and is a signal they believe in our enduring mission.

We addressed gaps in services and simultaneously diversified our funding streams away from Federal (VA) funding. The Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) lets us serve otherwise ineligible veterans. The HUD-VASH Navigator grant allowed us to hire a staff member to assist veterans with a HUD-VASH voucher and she housed 37 veterans in her first six months. Our Re-Entry Housing grant, focused on incarcerated veterans, enabled us to house 21 veterans. The Transition-in-Place (TIP) grant expanded our housing options and allowed us to house 28 veterans. These new efforts represent only a portion of the over 1,200 homeless and at-risk veterans and their families we served in 2018.

We created the Veterans Community Center by relocating and expanding our food and clothing pantries to a first-floor footprint, remodeling the front lobby, and re-purposing the old REST dining room into a USO-like hospitality area. Plans are underway to re-purpose the old REST kitchen into a computer lab connected to the hospitality area. We re-purposed the commercial refrigerator and freezer from the REST kitchen enabling us to offer perishable and frozen food offerings (including meat) which improve the nutritional value of our distribution and address the "food desert" gap. We implemented a more customer-service oriented point-system which allows our veterans to "shop" and make their own food choices thereby allowing them to exercise free will and respecting their inherent human dignity.

In the next 24-36 months, our strategic focus is on gathering resources and setting the conditions to launch our envisioned Residential Recovery Center (and associated Emergency/Triage Housing), expand our workforce development program of programs, and to successfully compete for award of our first-ever low-income housing tax credit (LIHTC) development.

Thanks again to the many, many friends of veterans I am privileged to partner with daily. I count it a blessing to work alongside such dedicated and passionate professionals joined in common cause to support and encourage those who have served and sacrificed to protect our freedoms, our values, and our American way of life.

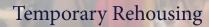
Sincerely,
Brian Copes

HVAF OF INDIANA, INC. PROGRAMS & SERVICES



Rapid Rehousing

- Short term rental & utility assistance
- For veterans and families currently homeless or facing eviction





- Offered to 150+ veterans each night Includes intensive case
- management, employment, and legal services



Employment Services

 Four full-time employment specialists help veterans overcome barriers so they can obtain meaningful employment



Street Outreach

 Provide food, clothing, and hygiene items to veterans living on the streets Visit homeless camps and build relationships with veterans



Vet to Vet

 Peer Veteran Group for homeless and at-risk veterans Meets weekly



Food, Clothing & Hygiene Pantry

- Gently used clothing and/or non-perishable food and hygiene
 - Open Tuesdays & Thursdays 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

HVAF's 2018 Outcomes

We served

1,204

veterans through our programs and services

881

veterans were provided with essential items through our food, clothing, and hygiene pantries

155

of our veterans obtained employment

Our volunteers spent a total of

10,313 hours

working in our pantries and properties

Our veterans were homeless for an average period of

17.5 days

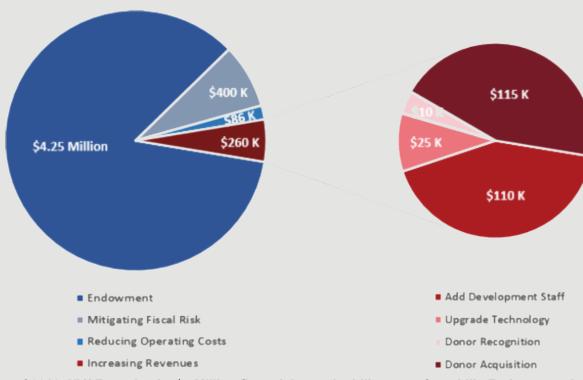
from the time they came to HVAF until we found housing for them

Provided

126

veterans with legal services

HVAF RECEIVES \$5 MILLION FROM LILLY ENDOWMENT, INC.



In December of 2018, HVAF received a \$5 Million financial sustainability grant from Lilly Endowment, Inc. This grant allows us to make one-time, time limited, and incremental investments designed to increase revenues, reduce operating costs, mitigate fiscal risk, and create an endowment that would ensure future financial stability.



Pictured, from left to right: Lilly Endowment, Inc.'s Program Director for Community Development Chuck Preston, HVAF Chairman Chuck Rainey, HVAF President & CEO Brian Copes, and Chuck Preston's assistant, Deitra Dunne



Funds placed in the endowment (\$4.25M - 85%), will be guided by a robust set of policies currently being developed by our designated investment committee. Revenue generated will be used in perpetuity for future incremental, time-limited, strategic investments.

A contingency cash reserve will be established (\$400K – 8%) to mitigate the fiscal risks of short-term cash-flow management issues.

Operating costs reduction (\$86K – 1.7%) of about \$32K/year will be made through technology improvements and enhancements at our properties. We are making energy efficient upgrades to our lighting, windows, and HVAC units.

An investment towards increasing future revenues (\$260K – 5.2%) will be made by adding an additional development staff person for a graduated 3 year onboarding period (\$110K); upgrading development technology, equipment, and software (\$25K); developing donor recognition strategies (\$10K); and conducting a statewide donor acquisition campaign (\$115K).

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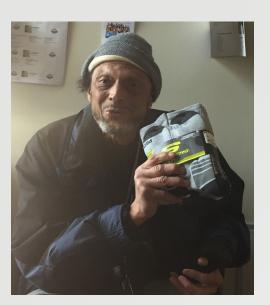
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HVAF of Indiana, Inc. would like to thank all of the individuals and groups for their generous support. Whether it was a monetary check or an essential item, your donation went a long way in helping our veterans get off of the streets and into a life of self-sufficiency. Because of you, we were able to serve more than 1,200 veterans in 2018. THANK YOU!

BREAKING

NEWS

2019 update: Thanks to a generous donor, who would like to remain anonymous, HVAF will be able to pay off all of its \$1.2 million mortgage debt! "With the addition of several new programs in 2018, HVAF expanded its impact by helping more underserved veterans and increasing its capacity to offer additional services. Because of the wide array of services offered, our teams collaborate every day with our veterans to further the mission of the agency and to most effectively deliver services that demonstrate the dignity our veterans possess."

Bryan Dysert VP, Operations

"In 2018, HVAF strengthened fiscal processes and client support by adding a new member to the Finance Team who is responsible for bookkeeping and check processing to ensure our client's financial needs are being responded to quickly and efficiently."

Veronica Gabbard VP. Finance "HVAF's food and clothing pantries were redesigned this year; and key partnerships were established ensuring that our veterans receive more fresh produce, milk and dairy products when they visit. We have been focused on delivering the highest level of customer service to each veteran, reflecting our deep respect and gratitude for their military service."

Emmy Hildebrand VP, Strategy

"The Advancement Team continued to increase community engagement, broaden public awareness, and develop more financial support from indivduals, corporations, and foundations. From these efforts, HVAF was able to dedicate more funding and in-kind goods to programs such as the food pantry, street outreach, and employment services."

Ashlee Walls VP, Advancement

HVAF Values:

Respect: Veterans protect our freedoms.

Dignity: Everyone has value.

Collaboration: Teamwork and partnership with, and for, our clients.

Honesty: Truth and transparency.

Professionalism: Right words and actions.

Positive Experience: Exceed expectations.

"Our personnel team worked to continue improving the employment experience. We created and enhanced a formal orientation process that covers all aspects of the agency, conducted monthly staff luncheons, increased benefits, and hosted quarterly fun staff engagement events which have all proved successful in boosting morale. This allows us to continue to retain and recruit essential mission-focused employees who will provide the best service to the veterans in need we serve every day."

"In 2018, the support team completed the monumental task of restoring Carson, LaFever, Paul and Keltner housing properties. Restoration included: new sidewalks, roofs, porches, parking lot areas, flooring, carpets, paint, windows and new appliances. The professionalism and high standards of work exhibited by our maintenance team are an example of our never-ending goal to provide our veterans with a place to call home and a constant reminder of the respect and dignity our veterans deserve."

Navy vet Vincent: "I'm not going through it alone."

Success Stories

From 2007-2011, Vincent served active duty for the United States Navy. But due to missing his child's birth, his first and second birthday, and other important milestones, he decided to be discharged.

For several years after his time on active duty, Vincent experienced divorce, mental health issues, and homelessness. Although he was going to school using the G.I. Bill he was sending money to his ex-wife and child, which led him to becoming homeless and struggling to find places to sleep at night.

After several years of facing tough times, Vincent said his mom prayed about it, and she was led to think of Indiana as a place for him to live. They found out Indiana has a great Veterans Affairs system, and decided it would be an ideal place for Vincent to move to— making him not too far away from his family in Michigan. He arrived in Indianapolis in 2015, and the Veterans Affairs Benefits Administration pointed him to HVAF.

"I really can't thank HVAF enough."

"My mental health is a lot better," Vincent said. "My emotions, physically— the physical is still tough but it's a lot better thanks to the resources HVAF provides."

Today, Vincent lives in one of HVAF's properties and receives case management. He said he appreciates how not only his one case manager, Tisha, helps him; but everyone on staff is there for him. Everyone— from the case managers to the front desk receptionists to the maintenance workers— care about him, he said.

"They keep telling me- you don't have to go through this alone," Vincent said.

While staying in our properties and receiving help through our programs and services, Vincent is also able to work for a security company. Every veteran Vincent comes into contact with, he makes sure to tell them about the services HVAF provides.

"I've realized my own self-potential, through the resources and the guidance and the mentorship," Vincent said. "I really can't thank HVAF enough."

Army vet Kevin: "I'm glad HVAF is around!"

How our case managers found housing for Kevin and his grandson

Last September, Army veteran Kevin E. was homeless, as he was living in his vehicle. That same month, his life was changed.

He found out his 12-year-old grandson did not have a place to live anymore, and he would need to gain custody of him. He knew he needed to find a home for both of them, and he needed to find it fast.

Thankfully, Kevin already knew about HVAF, as he had been an employee of the organization in the early 2000's. He enrolled in Supportive Services for Veterans and their Families (SSVF) and was assigned to case manager Kiley.

Since he was on disability and worked part time, Kiley said that helped him have enough income to get housed easily. She also referred him to HVAF's housing specialist, William

Najera, to expedite the housing search. Eight days after he enrolled in SSVF, he was successfully placed into permanent housing.

The SSVF program provided beds for him and his grandson, as well as paid for the security deposit, first month's rent, and all of his prior utility arrears to get service in his name. HVAF also referred him to Mustard Seed for furniture and home goods, and paid for the delivery.

"Not only was Kevin a pleasure to work with, but it was so rewarding to help reunify this veteran with his grandson in a safe, clean environment," Kiley said. "He was motivated to get into housing and our HVAF team worked quickly to accommodate all of their needs."

Kevin said HVAF is the best thing to ever happen to a veteran who is in need of assistance.

"I'm glad that HVAF is around to get help," Kevin said. "I recommend any veteran that needs help to come here because HVAF will do whatever they can to get veterans back on their feet."

"HVAF gave me hope"

How our case managers housed Air Force vet Lianna in 24 hours



In 2011, Lianna Spencer enlisted in the United States Air Force.

After serving for two years, Lianna got out and went back to her home in Arizona, where she went back to school and work. She also spent one year on the reservation taking care of her grandmother after she broke her leg.

Once her grandmother was doing better, Lianna needed to decide what her next steps would be.

"It was either go back to Arizona or move to Indy and stay with a friend," she said.

After moving to Indianapolis, it was definitely not what she expected. The friend abused substances and it was not a safe environment for her. When the landlord said he was going to kick both of them out, she realized she needed to get out of the situation and live on her own.

But she didn't have any money— she had spent all she had on the plane ride to Indiana. After looking up organizations that help the homeless, she discovered HVAF and came in to receive food and assistance.

After talking with some of HVAF's case managers, William Najera, HVAF's housing specialist, found an apartment and took her to see it. She liked it and the very next day, she signed the lease and moved in.

She said for the case managers moving so quickly to find her a place meant so much to her.

"The fact that everybody was coming together so quickly for me, in a place that I don't even really know. That really gave me hope," Lianna said. "This is a new area, and new beginning."

Indy's Veteran Homelessness Population Down 20 Percent

Each year, on one cold night in January, representatives go out into their community and identify homeless individuals, providing a snapshot of the area's homeless population. In 2017, 328 homeless veterans were identified. This year, that number dropped by 20 percent to 261.

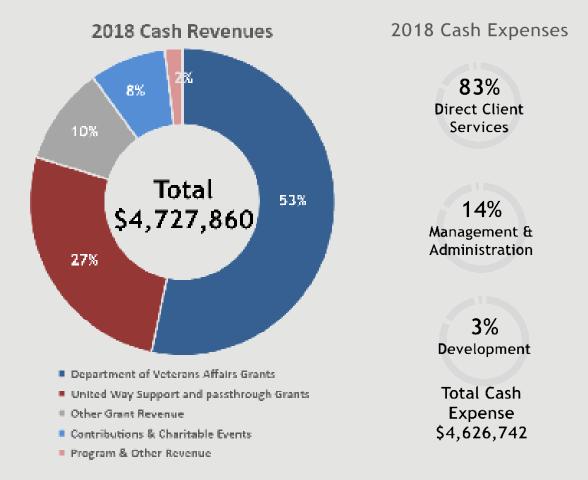
As a way to share the good news, in 2018, Indianapolis Mayor Joe Hogsett joined the Coalition for Homelessness Intervention and Prevention's (CHIP) Executive Director, Alan Witchey, and announced the results at HVAF Headquarters earlier this month.

"In January, we gathered as a unified front to continue our effort to end homelessness. Having a place to call Home is something we must strive to provide for every single one of our residents and neighbors," Mayor Hogsett said. "Last year, we pledged to identify supportive housing for an additional 400 individuals living with homelessness – a promise that has been fulfilled. But again, that is not the whole solution – only part of it."

(Former) VP for Advancement Aaron Carmichael thanked Mayor Hogsett and the City of Indianapolis for all of the work they do to help homeless veterans.

"In 2017, more than 600 veterans moved into permanent housing through HVAF's assistance. This was made possible because a whole community is coming together," Aaron said. "And Mayor, your continual push to see true, lasting change is making a difference."

2018 FINANCIAL REPORT



Operating revenue increased by about \$100K in 2018 from the previous year. Contributions and charitable events make up 10% of our total revenue (up 3% from last year) thanks to our generous and committed supporters.

In addition to the grants and community support we received in 2018, we also received a \$5 Million grant from the Lilly Endowment, Inc. With this grant we are establishing HVAF's very first endowment fund and will be making time-limited strategic investments. With these funds we propose to increase unrestricted revenues and create cost savings through energy efficient upgrades and by adding depth to our advancement department. Endowment funds will be permanently restricted, and income earned off this fund will be used in future years to ensure on-going financial stability.

As always, HVAF is committed to providing the best support and services to our veterans by keeping their needs the focus of everything we do. In 2018, 83% of our total operating expenses were directly spent on life changing services. In future years as we grow and expand our services, we expect this percentage to rise while still maintaining the efficiency and effectiveness of the dedicated management, support, and development teams; we aim to achieve 90% direct support expenses.

Thanks to you, we raised \$37,000 at Operation Alpha!





It keeps getting better and better! In 2018, we were able to raise more than \$37,000 at Operation Alpha. The total funds raised increased by \$5,000 from 2017's event!

Hotel Tango Artisan Distillery's Founder and CEO Travis Barnes started Operation Alpha in 2014, as a way to raise funds for HVAF's operations, programs, and services.

The evening, at Tinker House Events, was full of tasty cocktails thanks to Hotel Tango; delicious food from Mimi Blue Meatballs,

Illinois Street Food Emporium, Hoagies & Hops, Black Plate Catering, and Oak Catering; wine from The Wine Group and beer from Sun King Brewery and Upland Brewing Company; live music from Benito Dibartoli & Friends; auction bidding; a cigar veranda courtesy of TCAC- Indy Chapter; and much more.





"I am deeply grateful for the strong relationship we have with Hotel Tango Artisan Distillery and their Tinker House Events venue," HVAF President & CEO Brian Copes said. "I am humbled by the generous support of those who sponsored tables, volunteered their time, provided or solicited silent auction items, and donated food, beer, wine, spirits, cigars, and canteen cups (which made the grog an experience)."

Save the Date!

Operation Alpha 2019 November 8 | Biltwell Event Center

For more information, and to sponsor our annual meeting, please contact VP for Advancement Ashlee Walls:

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THANK YOU

Volunteer Recognition



Children from Christ the King Church helped with property beautification at our Warman Houses



Eight Eleven employees organizing our downstair clothing overflow room



HVAF Board Member Diane Markle (third from left) and her team at Fifth Third helped clean our Manchester Apartments



Members from The Home Depot Foundation painted hallways in our Moreau Apartments



TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!



Every year, Women in Networking serve delicious meals for our veterans



Altar'd State not only volunteered with us, they also held a fundraiser at their store in The Fashion Mall

Warman Houses



Salesforce supports us in many ways - including helping in our pantries



Cummins employees spent a day volunteering at our headquarters

