**Morning Star Rotary 10/24/19**

Started partnering with MSR and STT in 2009 - 10 years with 2019 being the 11th year partnering.

**How has MSR Funding helped veterans?** receive: Case management & Counseling, life skill training, Addictions supports groups, health care services at VH, employment services, Case managers do housing advocacy, recreational activities, give back to community program and aftercare services,

**What the MSR Club funds have done for VH Veterans since partnering in 2009:**

Number of Veterans served since 2009 has been 482 veterans, not including this year

* 36% of veterans have found jobs
* 52% of veterans have found independent housing
* 15% of veterans have discharged due to relapse/MH, medical problems/ Self discharge.

**Of the 48 annual average # of vets enrolled in VH programs have:**

**--25 veterans finding independent housing**

**-- 7 D/c for addiction relapse, MH, Program Violations**

**--16 still actively enrolled at VH**

***MSR can be proud to have impacted 25 plus veterans annually for over 10 years! (250)***

**On National Scene: AHAR(Annual Homeless Assessment Report -to Congress)**

**On a Single Night in January 2018 (roughly)**

553K people experienced homelessness in the United States. Veterans account for just fewer than 9% of all homeless adults. (49K).

* **Men accounted for 90% of homeless veterans. Race: Caucasian- 48%, AA - 41%**

**The number of veterans experiencing homelessness has been cut nearly in half since** **2009. Although, these numbers can fluctuate annually. (in & out, stable/fall back)**

**States with the most homeless veterans with 700 plus are NY, Florida, PA, Ohio, Illinois, Texas, Washington, Oregon, Colorado, California. (10,000+) with** California accounting for just fewer than 30 percent of all veterans experiencing homelessness in the United States

**½ of all homeless vets are counted in metropolitan cities/urban areas**

**Penna had 982 homeless veterans in 2018**

**People often ask us what we do at VH ---- Telling you is easy, but seeing, experiencing and feeling what happens as VH thru the eyes of a homeless person is much more surreal. We produced a 60 second infomercial about VH recently… and here it is. The individual is a VH resident telling his story thru this brief video.**

**SHOW VIDEO**

**Kevin McCloud, our US Army Veteran – to tell a little more about his life…**