"It gave me a lot of hope"

How our case managers housed a veteran in 24 hours!


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.

• She said 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 this 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, Will—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 to move so quickly and 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 gave me hope,” Lianna said. “This is a new area, and new beginning.”
HVAF Highlights {September}

200+ vets were served at the 14th annual Stand Down!

Operation Alpha is back!
Indy’s premier Veterans Day celebration returns on November 9th!

Operation Alpha is a collaborative event between HVAF of Indiana, Hotel Tango Artisan Distillery, and The Tinker House Events, to raise funds for HVAF’s important work in helping Hoosier veterans.

Join us at The Tinker House for a casual night of entertainment, tradition, reflection, and fine food and beverage, all in support of local veterans.

Early bird ticket sales end October 26th at 11:30 pm.

Interested in being a sponsor? Contact Aaron Carmichael: ACarmichael@hvaf.org

Buy your tickets at Eventbrite.com TODAY!
{Search "Operation Alpha 2018"}

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As we work on opening up a Community Center for Indy’s veterans, we are in need of volunteers to create a relaxed atmosphere where veterans may obtain single serve drinks/food options and participate in self-directed recreational activities, such as watching television, reading or playing board games.

Interested? Contact our Volunteer Coordinator Audrey Hopkins: AHopkins@hvaf.org or 317-951-0688 ext. 2116

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HVAF Needs:
~Ready to eat soup
~Hygiene items
~Canned meats
~Canned fruit
~Granola bars
~Ramen noodles
~Cereal

Drop off your donations to HVAF Headquarters today!

IUPUI softball team sorted donations as part of the school’s volunteer day

HVAF of Indiana, Inc.

Volunteers Needed
Veterans Community Center

Rolls Royce worked on property beautification at several houses

Our volunteer coordinator Audrey attended several college fairs to let students know about volunteer opportunities with HVAF

IHICDA’s annual conference highlighted & benefitted HVAF

HVAF Presents
Operation Alpha
Friday, November 9th

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