



MACV's Background



- 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 in January of 2011.
 - August 6th 2011 was our 1st Mayor's Veterans Appreciation Day event
 - October 15th 2016 was our 6th Mayors' Veterans & Family 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 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 new Veterans Service Officer.





MACV & VSCMC

(A Public-Private Partnership)



- MACV is a Public (City of Indianapolis) Program that Advises the Mayor, or Mayors' on Veterans needs, services and programs.
 - Usually does not raise funds for programs/events, other than in-kind products or services.
- VSCMC is a Private, Non-Political, Non-Profit Indiana Corporation that Supports MACV and Marion County Veterans.
 - Responsible for helping raise funds for Veterans events, including but not limited to, the Mayors' Veterans & Family Appreciation Day event.
 - VSCMC was formed on the 6th of March 2014 and received its 501 (c)(3) public charity status on the 28th of January 2016.
 - VSCMC meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Marriott-East at 2:00 PM, just before the MACV meeting.
 - Additional information on VSCMC is available on www.VSCMC.com.





Mayors' Advisory Council for Veterans



The Mayors' Advisory Council for Veterans,
formally the Mayor's Advisory Council for Veterans,
(MACV) was formed to serve two main goals:

- 1) To better serve, inform, and advise the
Mayors' and Town Managers of Marion County
on issues that affect the Veterans in our community;



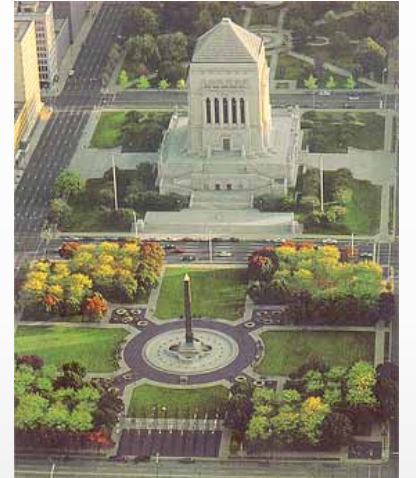


MACV's Mission & Goals



2) To better serve, inform, and advise the **Veterans in Marion County** about services available to them by creating a unified voice from various organizations in our communities that are already striving to help our Veterans.

These two goals are being accomplished thru our monthly networking MACV program.

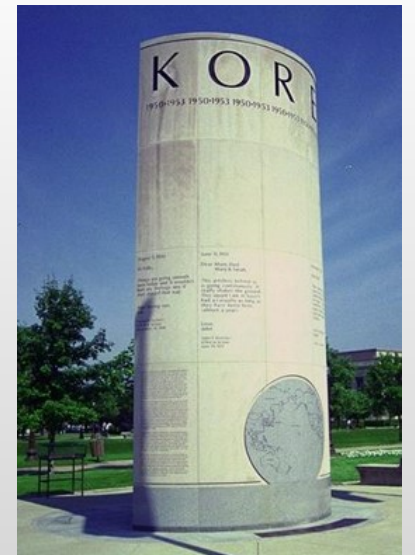




MACV's Networking Program



MACV's networking program now consists of getting together and documenting all types of organizations that are currently working with, or are willing to work with, our Veterans in Marion County, ensuring that they are receiving the benefits and services to which they are entitled, then sharing that information with Veterans who need it, thru; Service Providers, Outreach & Web Sites, etc.





MACV's Guidelines for Membership



Everyone is always welcome to attend any MACV meeting or Subcommittee meeting.

To be considered a **MACV Member** or **MACV Associate** you must do one of the following:

1) MACV Member (Voting Member) -

Attend at least nine (9) monthly meetings per 12 months

2) MACV Associate (Non-Voting Member) -

Attend at least four (4) monthly meetings per 12 months

3) Visiting individuals and Organizations (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 the Leadership Committee)

**MACV always meets the third Tuesday of each
month at the Marriott-East (21st & N. Shadeland Ave.)
from 3:00 to 4:30 PM**





MACV's Leadership Committee



- MACV is lead by a three (3) person Leadership Committee.
- **The Leadership Committee is responsible for:**
 - Conducting the monthly meetings;
 - Developing an agenda for each meeting;
 - Notifying the MACV members of each meeting;
 - Supporting the Subcommittees;
 - Preparing a monthly report for the Mayors' review.



Chair	Co-Chair	Secretary	Meeting Location, Date & Time
Don Hawkins	Connie Boatright	Jill Fewell	Marriott-East
Hawkins@HHOOT.com 317-632-0500	boat5301@aol.com 317-209-5121	Jill@VeteranEvents.org 317-549-5900	3 rd Tuesday of each month at 3:00 PM

(Elected on the 15th of November 2016 to serve until the 31st of December 2017)



MACV Monthly Meeting Agenda – Worksheet & Notes

Official time of the meeting is from 3:00 to 4:30 PM at the Marriot-East - Start meeting at 3:05 PM

1) Welcome everyone to the meeting - (Remind everyone to turn off cell phones) (restrooms & drinks)
2) Prayer -
3) Pledge of Allegiance -
4) Have everyone sign the “Sign-In” sheet - (Make sure we have everyone's correct contact info)
5) Explain what MACV is and what its goals are - Same with VSCMC (Explain differences)
6) Mention our Veterans web sites at: www.VSCMC.com & www.VeteranEvents.org
7) Acknowledge any special guests - (If the special guests have limited time today, have them speak now)
8) Announce upcoming events that pertain to Veterans - (Brochures & Flyers are on Sign-In Tables)
9) Make any other announcements – (present, Emails or Flyers from people that cannot be here today)
10) Today's MACV Business from Leadership Committee - VSCMC Financial Report, then updates for subcommittees.
a. Homeless & Faith Based Support Subcommittee -
b. Medical & Mental Health Support Subcommittee -
c. Education & Employment Subcommittee -
d. Marketing & Event Planning Subcommittee -
e. Legislative & Policy Subcommittee -
f.
11) Let's have everyone introduce themselves and tell us what they do and please make any special announcements on upcoming events your organization is putting on – (taking questions as they go)
12) Is there any additional suggestions, questions or any new or old business before we adjourn -
13) If not, this meeting is hereby Adjourned -





SubCommittee Guidelines



Suggestions:

- 1) The number of subcommittee members is not fixed but should consist of from 5 to 15 MACV Members and/or MACV Associates;
- 2) All subcommittee members do not have to be MACV Members;
- 3) The Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary must all be MACV Members;
- 4) The Executive Committee, with input from the Mayors' and Town Manager will suggest an agenda for each Subcommittee;
- 5) Subcommittees choose their own; chair, co-chair, secretary, date, time and place to meet;
- 6) Subcommittees set their own goals and timetables;
- 7) Subcommittees can request visitors to speak at their meetings;
- 8) All subcommittees should meet at least one time per month before each MACV meeting;
- 9) All subcommittees are required to give an update of their findings and/or progress to the monthly MACV meeting so the Leadership Committee can compile a monthly report to deliver to the Mayors'.





SubCommittee Goals

Networking, Networking, Networking



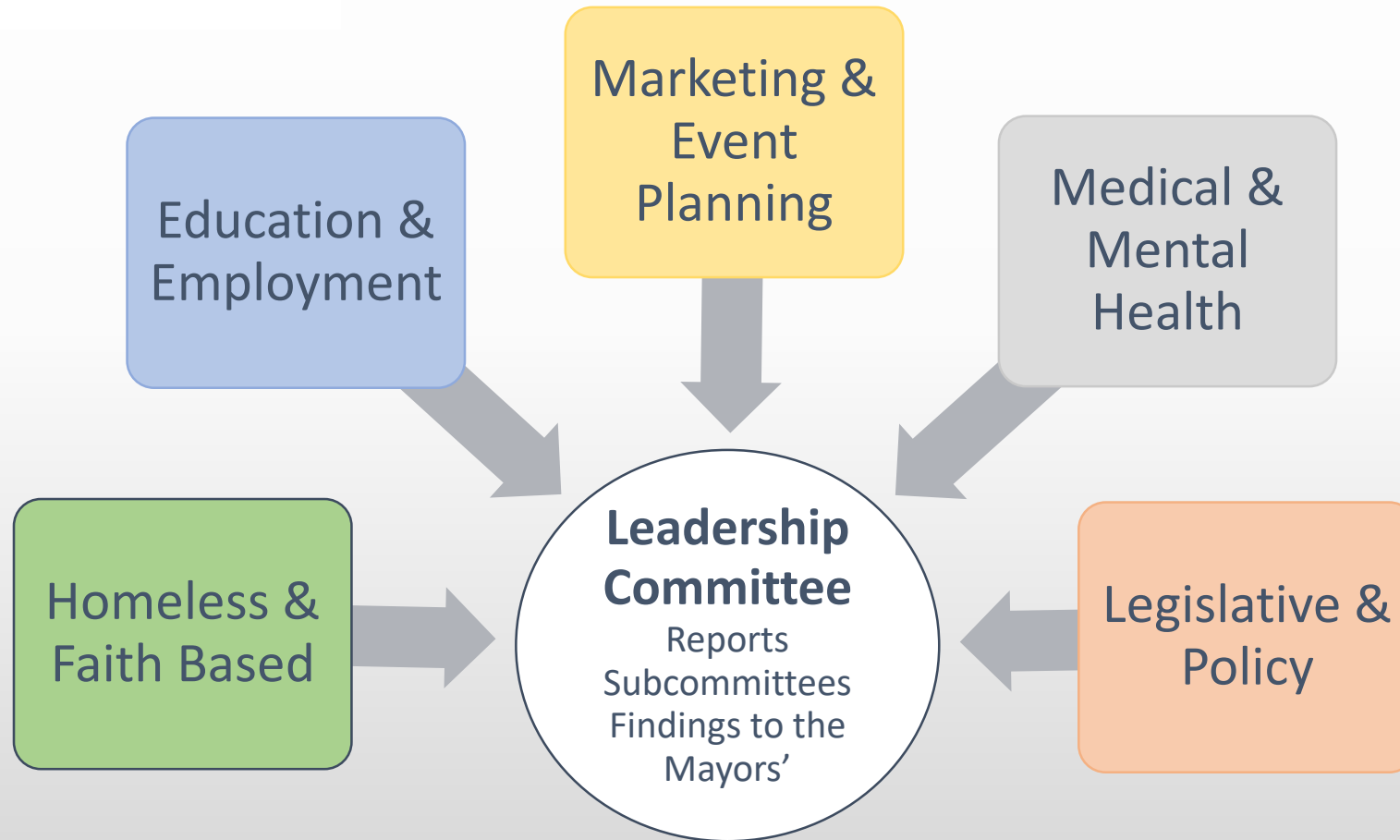
Suggestions:

- 1) First and foremost, we didn't want to start another committee just for the sake of having another committee. We wanted these subcommittees to be working committees that actually accomplishes something;
- 2) Subcommittees can and should work with other organizations that have similar subcommittees working on similar topics –
Example: CHIP on their CoC homeless and veterans subcommittees);
- 3) Subcommittees 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) Subcommittees should focus on ensuring that all Veterans are made aware of everything to which they're entitled (services & benefits), and how they can access it.





MACV's Subcommittees



Each of these five (5) Subcommittees will consist of from 5 to 15 members and have a: 1) Chair Person; 2) Vice Chair Person; and a 3) Secretary



Subcommittee Members

For an updated list with contact information, please go to:

www.VSCMC.com/MACV.html



Homeless & Faith Based	Medical & Mental Health	Education & Employment	Marketing & Event Planning	Legislative & Policy
Brian Copes HVAF of Indiana	Connie Boatright MESH Coalition	Charles Russell ESGR	Jill Fewell Veterans Events	Jerry Morgan VFW
Don Hawkins Homeless & ReEntry Helpers	Tom Harris Adventist Helping Veterans	Kelly Cavalcanti New Horizons	Gary Nasby Marine Corps League	Scott Spychala AVER
Emmy Hildebrand HVAF of Indiana	Gordon Smith Veterans Court	Darrell Johnson Workforce Development	Fred Bishop VSCMC	Donald Peek Indy Vet House
Tom Harris Adventist Helping Veterans	Jordan Isaacs Sen. Donnelly's Office	Buzz Smith Easter Seal Crossroads	Jerry Morgan VFW	Gordon Smith Veterans Court
Fred Bishop VSCMC	Paul Norton American Legion	Heather Voorhis New Horizons	David Sassman VSCMC	David Sassman VSCMC
David Sassman VSCMC	Lorrie Neuberg VA Medical Center	Kimberley Duff VOA	Buzz Smith Easter Seal Crossroads	Don Hawkins Homeless & ReEntry Helpers
Darrell Johnson Workforce Development	Dr. Doorthy Simpson Sister Soldier	Chris Johnson Workforce Development		
Chris Johnson Workforce Development		Michael R Wukitsch Marine Corps League		
Buzz Smith Easter Seal Crossroads		Mike Espinda Job Ready Vets		
Deborah Walls VA Medical Center		Stacy Dieckman Elite SDVOB Network		
XXX CHIP		Andrew Janovicz Marine For Life Network		
Denise & Abdul Deen Miya's Foundation		Dr. William Ross Ivy Tech		
Dr. Dorothy Simpson Sister Soldier				
Dr. William Ross IvyTech				



Homeless & Faith Based Subcommittee



- Consists of representatives from organizations that have experience in working with Homeless Veterans, and with representatives from Faith Based organizations that are working with Veterans.
 - Housing for Homeless Veterans
 - Faith based groups that help Vets



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Educations & Employment Subcommittee



- Consists of representatives from organizations that have experience in dealing with and helping under-employed and unemployed Veterans who want to obtain a better education and/or a better job.
 - Reintegration
 - Where are the jobs
 - Retraining



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Marketing & Event Planning Subcommittee



- Consists of representatives from organizations that have experience with event planning 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 promoting 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.



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Medical & Mental Health Subcommittee



- Consists of representatives from organizations that have experience in working with health / medical and mental / behavioral health issues relevant to our Veterans.
 - Substance Use Disorders
 - Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)
 - Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBIs)
 - Suicide and suicide prevention
 - Health and medical issues
 - Access to appropriate care



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Legislative & Policy Subcommittee



- Consists of representatives from organizations that have experience in dealing with ways we can help inform the Mayors' on how he can introduce, support, adjust, or amend existing legislation and develop new legislative ideas that positively impact our Veterans.
 - Free and Discounted Bus Passes for Veterans
 - Veterans Court



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MACV Expanded



- In 2015 MACV invited our four sister cities and the town of Speedway to participate in our MACV Program to unite all of Marion County to better serve our Veterans.
- 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. MACV's goal is to compile that information and ensure that it is provided to Veterans thru existing service providers, internet, veterans service organizations and outreach.





MACV Expanded



- In 2017 MACV will set up meetings with each of our sister cities and towns within Marion County to bring them up to date on what MACV is doing and planning to insure that all our Veterans are aware of the many benefits and services available to them.

Indianapolis	Lawrence	Beech Grove	Southport	Speedway
				The Town Manager Position is Currently Open
Joseph Hogsett Mayor	Steve Collier Mayor	Dennis Buckley Mayor	Russell McClure Mayor	David Lindsey Town Council President
(317) 327-3601 mayor@Indy.gov www.Indy.gov	(317) 545-6191 scollier@cityoflawrence.org www.cityoflawrence.org	(317) 788-4977 Dennis.Buckley@beechgrove.com www.beechgrove.com	(317) 786-5489 mayor@southport.in.gov www.southport.in.gov	(317) 557-7755 David.lindsey@speedwayin.gov www.speedwayin.gov



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 - Monthly meetings are always on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Marriott-East (21st & N. Shadeland Ave.) from 3:00 to 4:30 PM
- If you need assistance or additional information for Veterans services and/or Veterans benefits, call 317-327-4VET, or visit our MACV & VSCMC web site at www.VSCMC.com.
- MACV contact information:
Don Hawkins, MACV Chairman
Hawkins@HHOOT.com at 317-632-0500.



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