

# York County Veterans Outreach Annual Report 2023



Raised Over  
\$140,000

Supporting  
York County  
Veterans  
And Their  
Families

Provided Funding  
for Over 11  
York County  
Veteran  
Non-Profits

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# York County Veterans Outreach

The York County Veterans Outreach is a 501(c)(3) non-profit registered in the State of Pennsylvania, serving York County.

**Mission:** York County Veterans Outreach assists veterans and their families to identify and access resources, services, and programs to meet their short and long-term goals.

## Co-Founder & Board Chair:

Susan P. Byrnes R.N.

## Established:

Fall of 2013

## Executive Committee:

Kristy Bixler, Vice Chair  
Johnathon Heller, Treasurer  
Tyler Chronister, Secretary  
Kevin Eck, Member at Large

## Administrator

Cassandra Storm, *new 2023*

## Board of Directors:

Bruce Bartz  
William Fallon  
Terry Gendron, Ex Officio  
Andrew Herrold  
Gary LaTulippe, *new 2023*  
Gerald Otterbein  
Gary Owen, *new 2023*  
Chick Renn, *new 2023*  
Kathreen M. Sibol, *new 2023*

## Retired Board Members 2023:

Stacy Dietz  
Sean Malo  
Bob Reilly



# The Partners We Funded in 2023

Thank YOU for your dedication and support of our mission!

Together, with our partners, we supported our veterans and their families with programs and resources totaling: \$89,509.

- **York County Department of Veterans Affairs**  
**York County Veterans Fund**  
**\$44,000**



Example of funding is for items such as emergency mortgage and utility payments. By supplying private funds, we can meet emergency needs of veterans and their families that would otherwise be delayed through bureaucracy.

- **Leg Up Farm**  
**Equine Assisted Therapy**  
**\$15,000**



Our funding allows for all York County veterans to receive equine assisted therapy whereas other grants may only support post 9/11 veterans.

- **For the Love of a Veteran**  
**PTSD Treatment Program**  
**\$10,000**



Providing funding for SGB (Stellar Ganglion Block) Injections to significantly reduce symptoms of PTSD. Cost is approximately \$2,000 per injection and is not funded through the VA.

- **Prodigy Spectrum Management**  
**Personal Care Home for Veterans**  
**\$5,000**



The only VA supported personal care home for veterans in York County. PSM is opening their second home in the beginning of 2024 with a contract to house and care for 20 veterans over the next five years.

- **SPC Zachary Clouser Fund**  
**Assisting Homeless Veterans**  
**\$5,000**



Assisting homeless veterans that may not be able to provide for themselves, that may need a warm meal or a warm bed for the night, a clean outfit. They also send care packages to the troops serving overseas protecting our freedom and other various community support.

- **Veteran Memorial Gold Star Healing and Peace Garden**  
**Memorial in Honor of Deb Etheridge**  
**\$1,000**



Memorial tree and plaque in honor of the founder of the SPC Zachary Clouser Fund.

- **York County Veterans Wellness Court**  
**Rehabilitation & Mentorship Program**  
**\$3,000**



Veterans mentoring veterans who are struggling with addiction and resulting criminal activity onto a road of recovery.

- **Direct Donation to Veteran Family**  
**Emergency Support**  
**\$3,009**



Support towards emergent housing needs and the purchase of a refrigerator.

- **Bartz Brigade: The Trent Bartz Foundation**  
**Suicide Awareness & Prevention**  
**\$1,000**



Supporting the education, prevention and awareness of suicide with a focus on adolescents, young adults and those serving in our Military.



- **Healing Heroes**  
**Equine & Personal Training Activities**  
**\$1,000**

Providing healthy outlets for veterans and other heroes through physical and mental activities with compassion, empowerment and encouragement, while building lifelong connections.

- **Penn Waver**  
**Assisting Female Veterans**  
**\$1,000**



W.A.V.E.R. Women And Veteran Emergency Relief Fund, this grant was dedicated to enriching the lives of female veterans through connection and social activities throughout the winter of 2023-2024.

- **Four Chaplains Memorial of York County**  
**Memorial Breakfast**  
**\$500**



The Four Chaplains' Memorial of York County commemorates and honors the service of the Four Chaplains who sacrificed their lives on board the U.S.A.T. Dorchester in World War II.



YORKVET Network Founders Bill Fallon and Terry Gendron at the 2023 York County Veterans Celebration & Breakfast

# ARPA Funding 2023-2024

We secured a \$225,000 grant as part of the American Rescue Plan (ARPA), which we have allocated to Glenn Hope Care Farm, Cover Six Canines and the hiring of our first part-time staff member.

- **Glenn Hope Care Farm**  
**Mental Health Support & Farm Skills**



Glenn Hope Care Farm offers farm activities to veterans and their families, including horticulture therapy, animal husbandry, submersion in nature, hiking, fishing, hunting, camping, agricultural classes and special events.

- **Cover Six Canines**  
**Service Dogs for Veterans**



Assists veterans with the securing and training of service dogs at no cost to the veteran.

- **York County Veterans Outreach Administrator**  
**Part Time Support Staff, Cassandra Storm**



Assisting the York County Veterans Outreach Board of Directors with their fundraising, grant distribution and communication with partners, veterans and their families in need of YCVO support. Our administrator's pay is divided equally between our ARPA grant and fundraising.

# Celebrations

- August 22 Thank You Celebration for the Car Show Committee.
- November 8 Press Event Announcing Partnership with the York Revolution.
- Our board successfully nominated veteran Jeff Hines for the George H. Eyer Meritorious Service Award, presented at the Veterans Celebration & Breakfast on November 11.



# Fundraising

In 2023, we raised over \$140,000 through:

- Give Local York on May 5.
- The Annual Benefit Car & Bike Show on May 27.
- YORKVET Golf Invitational on September 21.
- Juror Stipends.
- Recipient of Harley Davidson T-Shirt Fundraiser in Oct. (*funds to be received in 2024*).
- Private, Corporate & Event Contributions (which include):
  - Dunk Tank Fundraiser from Caterpillar Inc.
  - Dick Houseal Memorial Golf Tournament Oct. 1



# Partnership

- In August, the YCVO became the proud Non-Profit 2024 Season Partner of the York Revolution.
- In October, Harley Davidson signed on as our York Revolution Corporate Sponsor.



# \$70,433 RAISED

## FOR THE YORK COUNTY VETERANS OUTREACH

### AT THE 6TH ANNUAL BENEFIT CUSTOM CAR AND BIKE SHOW



Special thanks to our Grand Marshal  
100-year-old WWII Veteran  
**Harold "Sandy" Harper,**   
our host the **Church of the Open Door,**  
all our 70+ sponsors and especially our  
Event Sponsors **York Excavating** and the  
**Center for Dental Excellence,**  
**Dr. Gordon Bell and Associates.**



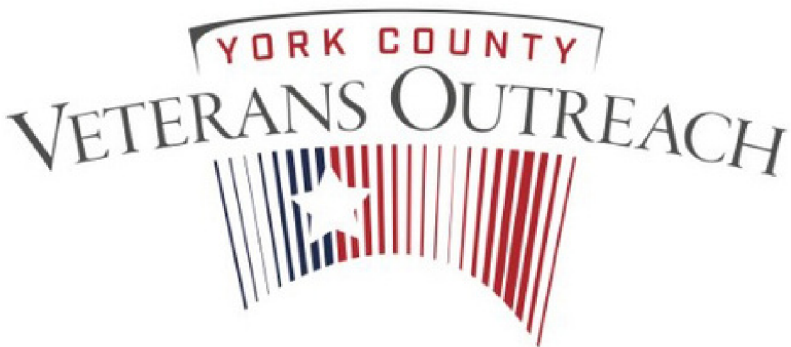
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[www.yocoveteransoutreach.org](http://www.yocoveteransoutreach.org)  
to view all pictures, list of  
sponsors and event details.



# JOIN US NEXT YEAR MAY 25, 2024





# Thank You for Supporting The 6th Annual YORKVET Golf Invitational

The W. Dale Brougner  
Foundation

Supporting York County Veterans!



## We Raised Over \$53,000 For York County Veterans & Their Families

# Save the Date - Sept. 19, 2024 Heritage Hills Golf Resort



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Our Complete List of Sponsors Or Visit  
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## Proudly Supporting Glenn Hope Care Farm

Situated on 43 acres of farmland in the heart of York County, PA, Glenn Hope Care Farm offers farm activities to veterans and their families, including horticulture therapy, animal husbandry, submersion in nature, hiking, fishing, hunting, camping, agricultural classes and special events.



Everything grown and produced on the farm is done so by veterans, Farm Director USMC Veteran Aimee J. Morris, her father, and volunteers. A portion of the food produced on the farm is donated to veterans, their families, veteran organizations and other Veteran causes.



# Feeding 100s of York County Veterans And their Families on Thanksgiving

## Turkeys for Troops



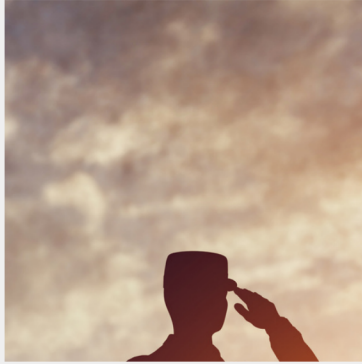
Glenn Hope Care Farm organically raised 11 free-range turkeys totaling more than 300 lbs. which they donated to York County veteran and veteran service organizations for Thanksgiving. Just four of the turkeys fed more than 150 families at Mr. Sandy's Veterans Homeless Center.



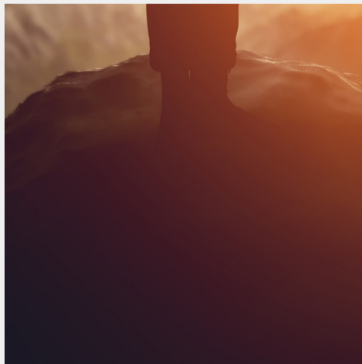
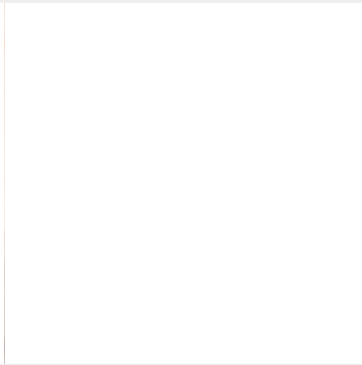
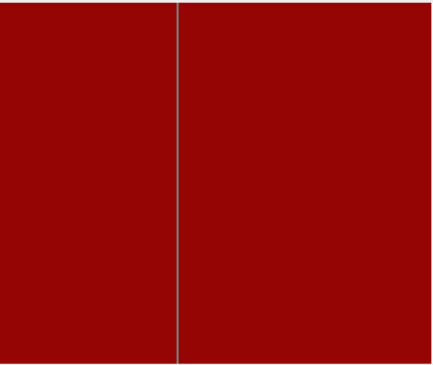
## Celebrating York County Veterans Throughout the Year Rock with Veterans on the Weekends, Veterans Fishing Derby, Free Heroes Breakfast on 9/11



[glennhopecarefarm.org/](http://glennhopecarefarm.org/)




**7th Annual  
Benefit  
Car & Bike  
Show  
May 25, 2024**




**7th Annual  
YORKVET  
Golf Invitational  
Sept. 19, 2024**

# Thank You

We look forward to another successful year in serving our Home Town Heroes!

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