WELCOME!

ENHANCING THE WELL-BEING OF AMERICA'S VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES: A CALL TO ACTION FOR A NATIONAL VETERANS POLICY

TECHNIQUES
EXPLORE STRATEGIES
NEW IDEAS

TOO MANY SILOS
REVAMPED VETERANS POLICY

WHERE ARE THE RESOURCES?

WHAT DOES HE NEED?
WHAT CAN I EXPECT?

LIVING THE "NEW NORMAL"
WORKFORCE DEV.

POLICY THAT MAKES SENSE
ACCESS THAT MAKES SENSE

its time to draw a line in the Sand...

WHAT WORKING?

WHAT DO WE LEVERAGE WHAT WE HAVE?

HOW DO WE LEVERAGE WHAT WE HAVE?

WHAT COURSES DO WE NEED TO HELP DRIVE GOOD POLICY?

WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE?

FEDERAL LEVEL
STATE LEVEL

PERSPECTIVE
EXPERIENCE

PEOPLE, FAMILIES + COMMUNITIES

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National Veterans Policy

Transitions should be bridges, not planks.

DoD-VA should work together, provide.

Retrieve, coach, and enable veterans.

Community level needs assessment.

Communication, research, and data collection.

Mandate better alignment between VA and DoD.

Research on demographics.

Government reserve in and out.

Veteran learning at different stages.

Military to civilian.

Veterans and families.

Combat non-Combat veterans.

Shared vision and quantitative.

The Covenant.

Resilience in communities.

4 tools kit for communities.

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NATIONAL VETERANS POLICY

WHAT RESOURCES are AVAILABLE?

- STATE NASW CHAPTERS
- COMMUNITY BLUEPRINT (POINTS OF LIGHT FOUNDATION)
  - FOCUS ON RETURNING VETERANS
- AMERICORPS
- VETERANS ORGS, LOCAL PRESENCE
- CHILDREN & FAMILY FUTURES
- HEADSTART
- CULTURAL DIVERSITY
- HISPANIC ORGS

THE MILITARY is a UNIQUE CULTURE

- VETERANS are "EX-FATS"
- WE HAVE to MEET THEM WHERE THEY'RE AT...

STAKEHOLDERS

- STATE ADJ. GEN OFFICES
- JOINING COMM. FORCES
- COUNTY EXTENSION/LAND GRANT

COLLECTIVE IMPACT

- HOLD PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE
- SHARE & COLLABORATE
- PARADIGM SHIFT - LOOK AT NON-TRADITIONAL PARTNERS

A COALITION of PEOPLE and ORGANIZATIONS

"DON'T LET PERFECT GET IN THE WAY OF GOOD"

THANK YOU ALL!