

# Holiday Greetings from Naperville Responds For Veterans

During the holiday season, it's always challenging for Veterans serving overseas, along with their families and loved ones. It's a time to thank them, and all Veterans, for their sacrifice to our great nation. Send a Veteran a holiday card saying thanks, or simply shake hands with a Veteran to thank them for their service.

At Naperville Responds, we understand Veterans are not looking for a thank you or handout. They are the humblest of people and have been trained to help, serve and defend our nation from all threats, foreign and domestic.

This is where you can help. If you know of a Veteran in need of a home repair or renovation, please contact us. It could be a neighbor, a member of your church or someone you randomly run into at the store.

Identifying Veterans in need is and always will be our greatest challenge. Most Veterans will not ask for help. Sometimes they just need a few words of encouragement or a nudge from a fellow Veteran to realize they need assistance.

Our organization has developed a local network of contractors and professionals that volunteer their time, expertise and equipment to efficiently complete much-needed home repairs, fix-ups and renovations. We are here to help Veterans and their families who may not have the funds or resources to have repairs completed, with an immediate focus on life safety and accessibility issues. Some of our most common projects include constructing handicapped accessible ramps and outfitting bathrooms for senior Veterans.

If you know a Veteran who may need assistance, direct them to our website at [www.nrfov.org](http://www.nrfov.org) to apply online. In addition, the website offers many ways to get involved, volunteer and catch up with the latest Naperville Responds projects, news and events.

At the beginning of 2017 I presented a simple, yet complicated, initiative to the Board of Directors. *We are going to serve more Veterans in 2017 than any previous year.* And we have.

Naperville Responds has completed 40 projects for Veterans within our service area, with another dozen ongoing this past year.

The PR Committee reached out to area Veteran Groups and established many more relationships with Veteran advocates. The Veterans Committee qualified more Veterans than ever for our services. The Construction Committee had its hand full executing projects, pulling permits and making sure all work completed improved the quality of life for the Veteran being served. The Volunteer Committee recruited a record number of volunteers to assist at events and many behind-the-scenes functions that make us run efficiently. And finally, the Events Committee made sure our events and fundraisers were the best they have ever been, attracting more participants than previous years.

I would like to thank the Board of Directors, Honorary Board Members and Volunteers for their dedication and service to Naperville Responds over the past year. We appreciate every sponsor, every supporter, and every individual who helped spread our mission to assist area Veterans with home repairs and renovations.

On behalf of the Naperville Responds For Veterans Board of Directors, I would like to wish everyone a happy holiday season and a fruitful New Year.

*Thank you, God bless America and God Bless our Military personnel throughout the world,*

Dan Jurjovec



President, Naperville Responds For Veterans

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**NAPERVILLE RESPONDS FOR VETERANS (NRFV) assists Veterans and their families in need, especially those with low and moderate income, by raising donations of money, building materials, and professional labor, and coordinating the process of repairing, building, and donating homes. Naperville Responds For Veterans is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization that provides services to Veterans in need and those in crisis.**

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