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Veterans Inc. to Hold 12th Annual Stand Down
Event to support homeless & in-need Veterans and their families
Friday, June 16th

WORCESTER, MA – Veterans Inc., in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, U.S. Department of Labor, and other local agencies, is pleased to announce the 12th Annual Veterans Inc. Stand Down will be held on Friday, June 16th. The event will take place at Veterans Inc.'s Worcester Headquarters on 69 Grove Street and will run from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

More than 3,000 Veterans and their families have received assistance at Veterans Inc. Stand Downs since the event's inception in 2006. Services available include, but are not limited to, a career fair, counseling and substance abuse referrals, employment and training services, health and wellness services, housing resources, and legal services. Free items and services available to veterans at Stand Down include clothing, food and refreshments, haircuts, personal care items, and much more.

The Stand Down is open to homeless and in-need veterans and their families. All services and items are provided free of charge. Veterans should bring a DD-214 or VA card as proof of veteran status.

Corporate sponsors of this year's event include National Grid, MorphoTrust USA, The TJX Companies, Inc., Reliant Medical Group, as well as, the many service providers who will be on-site during the event to provide goods and services to veterans.

For more information, veterans may contact Veterans Inc. at 1-800-482-2565 or via e-mail at StandDown@veteransinc.org. For Stand Down Sponsor Opportunities visit www.veteransinc.org

"Stand Down" is a term that originated during the Vietnam War, used to describe the practice of removing combat troops from the field and taking care of their basic needs in a safe area. According to the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans, the Stand Down was "a safe retreat for units returning from combat operations" where troops had access to clean uniforms, warm meals, medical and dental care, mail, and camaraderie, all in a safe environment.

About Veterans Inc.

Veterans Inc. is New England's leading provider of support services to veterans and their families. A 501(c)3 non-profit, the organization's single-minded mission is to be there for our veterans in their time of need. Incorporated in 1990, Veterans Inc. has helped more than 65,000 veterans in need and today operates offices and programs in all six New England states. Our services include housing, employment & training, counseling, alcohol and drug treatment center, family support programs, benefits counseling and advocacy, temporary financial assistance, health and wellness, food services, post-9/11 support and women & childcare services. They were there when we needed them...We must be there now that they need us.