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Supportive Housing for Women Veterans and their Children



Our Vision

To ensure that all female veterans have access to housing and support systems in Western Pennsylvania.

Our Mission

To provide a full continuum of care to homeless, unstably housed, or low income woman veterans and their children in Western Pennsylvania.



How you can help...

Become a One, Two, Three, or Four Star General

Four Star General

\$1,000



Three Star General

\$500



Two Star General

\$100



One Star General

\$50



Please make your check donation payable to: Robin's Home P.O. Box 483

Lyndora, PA 16045

The Difference You'll Make

Robin's Home is a 501©3 nonprofit organization. All donations are tax deductible. We can't thank our community supporters enough.

Your donation will...

- Provide supportive housing to homeless female Veterans and their children;
- Allow homeless female Veterans to find employment due to stable housing at Robin's Home;
- Ensure that these vulnerable women and children have a safe place to sleep at night;
- Give female Veterans a second chance at a better life.

CEO/Founder



Mary Chitwood is a Veteran. She has worked with over 200 Veterans who needed housing, employment, and other services in Western PA.

She received the 2021 Women Veteran Trailblazer's award from the Department of Veteran Affairs Center for Women Veterans for her work and was recently featured in Women Veteran's magazine.



Robin's Home Annual Operating Budget (estimated)

Total: \$26,150

Rent \$8,400
Gas \$2,000
Water \$1,000
Electric \$2,500
Cable/Internet \$2,000
Trash \$250
Sewer \$500
Veterans Needs \$2,000
Operating Supplies \$1,500
Repairs and Maintenance \$1,000
Insurance \$3,000
Travel/Auto \$2,000

Women Veteran Statistics

- The number of female Veterans that are homeless has doubled since 2006.
- There are nearly 2 million women Veterans in the United States.
- There are no services specifically for homeless female Veterans in the counties we serve.
- 80% of Veterans that are homeless experience mental health problems.
- 1 out of 5 female Veterans report that they are survivors of sexual assault while in the military.



Why "Robin's Home"?

Mary Chitwood had a dream to create a supportive housing program for female Veterans. In January 2017, Mary lost her good friend and fellow Veteran, Robin, due to complications after surgery. After Robin's service in the military, she received treatment for military sexual trauma and posttraumatic stress disorder.



In late 2017, Mary decided to turn her dream into a reality. Her dream became Robin's Home named after her friend Robin.

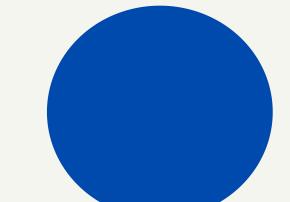
Robin's Home officially opened on June 28, 2019 and is currently serving Allegheny, Armstrong, Butler, Clarion, Erie, Lawrence, and Mercer counties. Through Robin's Home, female Veterans and their children will have a safe place to stay while receiving assistance to reintegrate back into civilian life.

More Big Dreams

Within 5 years, Robin's Home would like to accomplish the following:

- Addition of a playground and garden at the home;
- Opening of a second home;
- Hiring full-time or part-time staff including case manager, social worker, handyman, and fundraising worker;
- Opening of a thrift store, providing employment opportunities for our residents.

If you believe you can help make these dreams a reality, please contact us at 724-453-4644!





Programs

Housing

Our clients will have a room and access to living spaces within the home while feeling safe and secure in an environment that promotes self improvement.

Peer Support

Promote recovery through understanding and development of coping skills conducted by a person who is trained to offer support to female veterans and their children.

Transportation

Provides female veterans with a way to get to work, to appointments, and to the grocery store. Transportation will be provided to all veterans that live in Robin's Home at no cost to them.

Financial Workshops

Teaches skills and knowledge to allow female veterans to make financial choices that are the best for them. These courses will provide our clients with much needed information to help them with becoming independent and active participants in the community.

Accomplishments

- First Supportive Housing program in Western PA for homeless women Veterans and their children
- Started the first Women Veteran Support Program for the Butler VA Catchment Area
- Butler City Zoning Board approved special exemption hearing for Robin's Home to operate as a transitional housing program
- Updated a house that was vacant for 20 years
- Recipient of 2020-2021 Veteran Affairs Grant Per Diem
- Recipient of the 2021 Daughters of the American Revolution Vivian Outreach Award
- Recipient of the 2021 Pennsylvania Veterans Trust Fund

