



## TRI-COUNTY VETERANS SUPPORT NETWORK

### OPERATION LOWCOUNTRY WARRIOR CONNECTION

A Community Recon to seek out and find warriors and families in crisis in the Charleston Tri-County area.

Veterans are the very best of us – disciplined and self-reliant. Unfortunately there are many difficulties our veterans face in their transition home. Exiting the military may trigger an extremely stressful and life changing pivotal moment of introspective evaluation and reinvention to find a sense of value and life purpose. How they resolve this can have a tremendous impact on their future. Many are ill prepared for reintegration into their community upon their return. In a word, stability for veterans and their families in crisis is our objective, which may come in many different forms given the wide array of difficulties veterans and their families face. Many are left deficient in coping with their difficulties as they deal with the traumas of military service. This added stress compounds their problems, which can be extremely daunting and leave them feeling completely overwhelmed and without hope, causing any number of reactions, ranging from depression and isolation to rage and suicide. It is a shocking national tragedy that EVERY 80 minutes, a veteran commits suicide in this country!

Communities are, for the most part, left to fend for themselves as the military does not notify the community that the soldier is returning home, who often feel unprepared for their transition home. Consequently, communities are left using their valuable resources in reactionary measures, picking up the pieces rather than proactively acclimating the veteran to their community and welcoming them as a new asset to their area.

The Tri-County Veterans Support Network comprised of over 60 veteran service agencies from across the Charleston Tri-County area is committed to seeking out and identifying veterans and families in our community in a massive and consistent outreach campaign called OPERATION LOWCOUNTRY WARRIOR CONNECTION. With the help of members of the Network, such as Palmetto Warrior Connection and volunteers from the community, we strategically canvas the Tri-County Area monthly to find veterans and families in crisis. After identifying them we will:

- Begin the work of assessing their needs
- Compile an action plan for their stability
- Connect them to the various Veteran resources and agencies necessary
- Follow up and hold all parties accountable to ensure the veterans and their families attain stability and get what they need.

With your help we can impact those devastating statistics that plague our veterans and tangibly enhance the lives of many veterans and families here in the Tri-County area. In order to accomplish this we need your support. This takes a tremendous effort to facilitate and coordinate and we need your financial sponsorship and willing hands to help conduct this mission.

Please support our work and become a sponsor of OPERATION LOWCOUNTRY WARRIOR CONNECTION.

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**“The work of the Tri-County Veteran Support Network is so vital to our veterans. I appreciate what they are doing and commend them for it. I’m proud to be a part of it because it provides effective service to our veterans and their families, who need tremendous help.”**  
– Maj Gen Charles Baldwin, USAF (ret)