



**SGM Mark Baylis (Ret.)**

Disabled veteran with 26 years of active service in the Army. He was able to navigate the assistance process and become successful in civilian life. He knows first-hand what to do.

A research project in eastern Pennsylvania revealed that the vast majority of homeless males attending church food programs were veterans, most entitled to benefits they were not receiving. The question was, why not? The answer came from additional research and personal experience.

As it turns out, the time between discharge and receiving benefit payments can be long. In addition, the application process can be daunting and difficult. This gap is consequently one many veterans never overcome. They instead end up on hard times, living on the streets and in shelters across America. Whole families are affected and destroyed.

**Poverty and homelessness should not be the deal when someone devotes part of their life to serving, fighting for, and defending our country.**

While the US Military has recognized the problem and has taken steps towards correction, VALOR addresses the gap that remains through a variety of programs and facilities. Assistance with applications, housing, counseling, and medical attention are just some of the intended services.

**MSG Anthony Cross (Ret.)**  
Retired decorated Master Sergeant with 20 years active service in the Army as a medical specialist. He knows first-hand the struggles disabled veterans face.

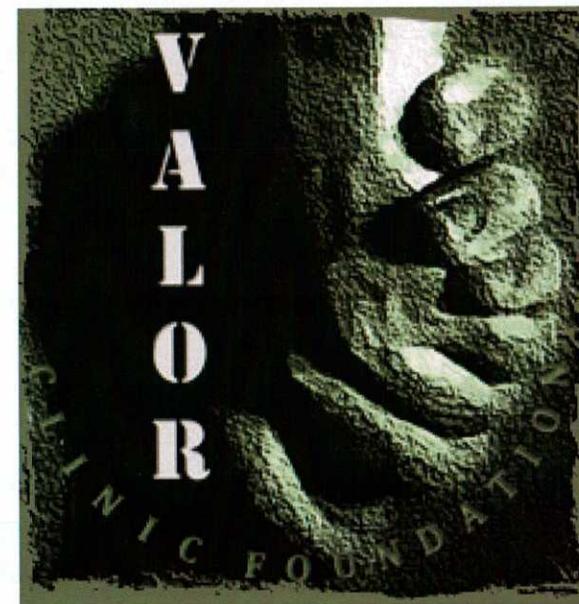


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**"Break the chains that bind"**

To improve access to and quality of health care and shelter for our nation's Veterans

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## The Situation

TBI, PTSD, substance abuse and homelessness are all-to-common among our combat Veterans. The healthcare available to these men and women varies and leaves gaps where many fall through the cracks and do not receive the treatment they need or deserve.

Though firm answers to this large problem are still elusive, successful techniques are available and have begun to show progress. The single largest challenge to implementing these techniques are the staff, facilities, and money needed.

## The VALOR Mission

The VALOR Clinic Foundation will provide nationwide integrated medical care and shelter to Veterans with limited or no access to care and shelter to Veterans who due to health or means are unable to find or keep shelter of their own. To improve the lives of our nations Veterans.

### **PURPOSE**

To improve access to and quality of health care and shelter for nations Veterans.

### **METHOD**

Provide integrated health care, life coaching and shelter to Veterans in need of assistance.

### **OBJECTIVE**

Veterans will receive relevant effective treatments for service-connected conditions and will be prepared to function and live as normal members of our free society.

## You Can Make A Difference

Volunteers and financial donors are the life-blood of this program and fill a variety of roles ranging from one-time assistance to a life-long personally fulfilling endeavor. Your time, your money, and your influence can all make the difference to the lives of our veterans in need.

## The VALOR Program

This diagram illustrates the different paths Veterans may take through the VALOR facilities and related programs. Goals will vary for each individual with the ultimate goal being complete independence and a successful civilian life.



### **Health Clinics**

These outpatient facilities will provide basic health care needs for Veterans. Treatment will focus on TBI, PTSD, female-specific post-combat issues, combat zone-specific health concerns (i.e. Gulf War Syndrome) and dietary coaching. A special section of the clinics will treat spinal injuries and amputees.

### **Homeless Shelters**

The homeless shelters will provide short-term but immediate assistance to Veteran's and their families without proper living arrangements until suitable placement is possible. The program will begin teaching basic life skills necessary for other VALOR facilities such as cooking and cleaning.

## Sanctuaries

At these tranquil rural centers, Veterans will live on site in order to maximize the effectiveness of this approach to treating PTSD. Residents will receive counseling, life management classes, and substance abuse treatment. One facility has been in use for several years and has recently merged with the VALOR Clinic due to the complimentary missions and mutual benefit. Ultimately, veterans will be better served.

## Transition Homes/Halfway Houses

Veterans will live and work in these semi-assisted settings. Each resident will be assigned a mentor, perform normal household tasks and chores, and will do so under the guidance of a mentor. This program is designed to bridge the gap between poverty and self-supported normal community living by teaching the life skills necessary for civilian life.

## Assisted Living Facility

The largest VALOR facility will provide basic medical care and long-term assistance for physically and mentally disabled Veterans. CNA/LPN will be on duty 24 hours each day on a dedicated medical floor. This facility will function in conjunction with the Homeless Shelter to transition some residents to other facilities

## Benefit Application Assistance

At all facilities, veterans will receive the help they need to navigate the often complex and difficult benefit application process. Successful, knowledgeable, and experienced staff will ensure the best chance of timely, life-long benefit receipt.

## Employment and Housing Assistance

Wherever possible, veterans will be encouraged to become fully self-sufficient. A variety of programs will help veterans obtain and maintain jobs and homes to become successful civilians in every way.