



# 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

Each year, we strive to help Veteran families throughout the state end their homeless situation, and work tirelessly to develop and improve services offered to our nation's Heroes. As we reflect on 2019, we saw a significant shift of dwindling support for homeless Veteran families in New Mexico, as the number of homeless Veterans grew (16.4%-US HUD). We have not allowed this to change our commitment to our Veteran families, and feel that our support of them is even more important in 2020.

During these past 19 years of combat operations, it has become commonplace to see a "yellow ribbon" on trees and homes. This ribbon is special to many Veterans and their families as it has meant "bring our troops home". We hope you now see this yellow ribbon to remind you to "give our Veterans a home" by supporting the mission of the VIC to continue honoring their service and sacrifices to our nation.

- Bobby S. Ehrig, CEO, Combat Wounded Veteran



## DID YOU KNOW?

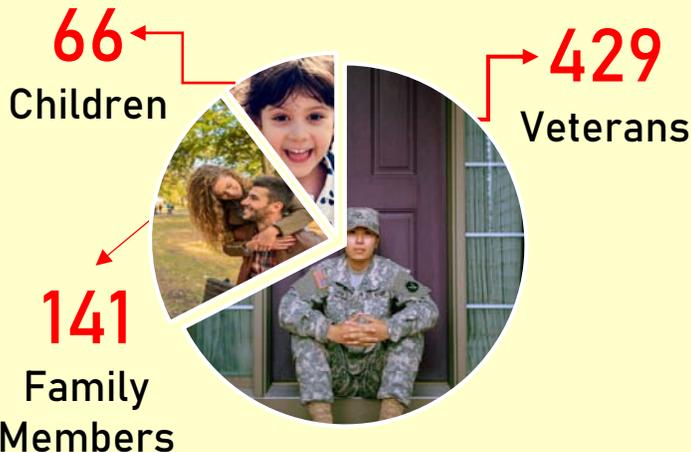
**148,264**  
**VETERANS** Live In New Mexico



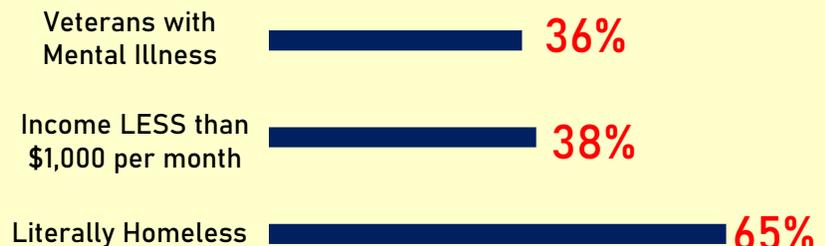
**As Many as 15,000**

**VETERANS** Living in Poverty or Homeless

## Families Are OUR Mission



## Who WE Help



# *Success is measured one Veteran at a time!*



**75%**  
HOUSING  
STABILITY  
12 months after Exit

**\$205,000**  
DONATED GOODS  
given to Veterans



FOOD SECURITY

**112,375** POUNDS  
Food Distributed

**1,318** HOUSEHOLDS  
Served



**532** FAMILIES  
Provided Furniture

**66** HOME DELIVERY  
To Disabled Families

Approximately 26% of New Mexico residents are food insecure & have to decide between rent and their next meal. NO program receives funding for many of these essential living items, but the VIC believes they are integral to the successful transition toward long-term independence. The VIC is the only program in New Mexico that fully furnishes each Veterans home as they transition to permanent housing, and provides weekly food resources to ease that stressful experience; and we still have **less than 10%** overhead costs.

*Please help us continue our efforts by donating today!*

## *How YOU Can Help End Veteran Homelessness*



**\$20**  
Winter Coat,  
Hat & Gloves



**\$30**  
Pants & Shoes



**\$50 a Month**  
Food for Family of 4  
For ONE Year!



**\$100 a Month**  
Furniture or  
Move-In Costs  
For Family of 4  
to their New Home