



Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans' (MSHV) Mobile Outreach Program

FREEDOM COMMISSARY

The objective of the Freedom Commissary is to provide essential items to homeless, at-risk, and crisis-level veterans and their families. This program operates almost entirely through the generous contributions of our volunteers and donors.

2019 HIGHLIGHTS:

- **708** visits servicing **357** veterans and family members with essential items in **7** counties
- **227** households were compassionately cared for, with **39** veteran families being prevented from becoming homeless
- **93** veterans were connected to **414** employment opportunities through the many services the Freedom Commissary and MSHV provide

To donate, please visit <http://helpaveteran.org/donate>. If you are a veteran in need, please call us today at **(630) 871-VETS (8387)**

2020 Outreach Objective: To create and facilitate outreach events, with the assistance of local veteran organizations, for the purpose of providing essential items and services to our local veterans and their family members who are experiencing housing insecurity or financial crisis.

- MSHV's Freedom Commissary is now currently serving veterans and their families in **13** counties throughout Northern Illinois
- With the help of local veteran organizations, we plan to host mobile events focused on not only providing essential items to those in need, but connecting at-risk veterans and family members to critical MSHV services
- We will also be collecting donations during these times. This allows us to continue the Freedom Commissary program objective and replenish much needed items for future events

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR FIRST EVENT!!!

Where: American Legion Post 556 at Cantigny Park (1S151 Winfield Rd. Wheaton, IL 60189)

When: Saturday, September 26, 2020 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

How to get involved: If you know of a veteran that could use a hand up, please have them contact John Dixon or Josh Taylor at (630) 871-8387 ext. 617 or via email at john@mshv.org or jtaylor@mshv.org. Please contact us if you would like more information about this or future events, including volunteering, hosting, and donating.

***We do require specific documentation to verify veteran eligibility. Please contact John or Josh to learn more.

Working to end veteran homelessness.