

VALLEY FORGE VILLAGE

A Project of
PATRICK McCAFFREY FOUNDATION

- The Foundation was created by Nadia McCaffrey to honor her son Sergeant Patrick McCaffrey, who was killed in Iraq in 2004.
- To ensure the development, governing, and operational capacity of the project, the Foundation has enlisted the skills and expertise of a diverse leadership team located primarily in Minnesota:
- VALLEY FORGE VILLAGE is a primary project of the Patrick McCaffrey Foundation, a 501c3 organization that creates and supports opportunities for military, veterans and their families.



The Need

“The Invisible Wounds”

Casualties of a different kind are beginning to emerge—invisible wounds, such as mental health conditions and cognitive impairments.

Conditions such as Post-Traumatic Stress Syndrome (PTSD), Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and major depression affect mood, thoughts, behavior and often remain invisible to other service members, family, and society.

According to the Rand study, health care services in the areas of mental health and TBI has significantly increased, yet gaps in access and quality still exist.



“From Valley Forge to present day, our military has lived in some miserable places and conditions. We will provide them this setting of beauty and solitude.”

Jimmie L. Coulthard

“The future of our Armed Services and the future of this country will be integrally linked with how we take care of veterans.” George Washington



Programs and Services
Residents and guests at Valley Forge Village can take advantage of the following:

Comfortable short and long-term housing for individuals – 200 current capacity that can be expanded over time. Assisted care housing and hospice housing also provided in subsequent phases of development.

Valley Forge Village



"The purpose of life is to enhance the human condition, our own and those we touch."

Bill Casey

LIFE'S RESILIENCY MENTORING

A unique program intended to optimize mind, body and spirit wellness.

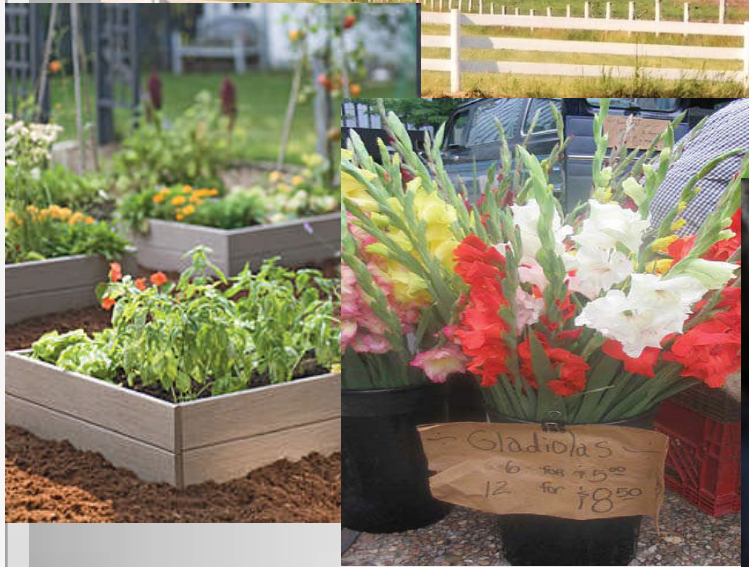
Trained mentors will tailor activities to specific individual and family needs. The program strives to instill in participants a sense of purpose that will lead to personal fulfillment, happiness and wellness.

Results will be monitored by the **Complementary and Integrative Medicine Program of the Mayo Clinic** in Rochester, MN.

Training for mentors in the VFV Resiliency model will be available to other professionals seeking to enhance their skills.



The Farmer Veteran Coalition, will establish, maintain and operate Valley Forge Farm, a sustainable agriculture training program focusing on family farm practices and providing year round organic produce for Valley Forge Village



The newest principles of organic farming and sustainable family farm practices will be taught on-site in a therapeutic setting. The farming program will be the primary source of food for VFV as well as a source of revenue as excess production is sold.



THE VICTRI

Veterans' Initiative Center & Research Institute

Business start-up and development training will be offered to our guests in affiliation with VICTRI, a service organization that helps incubate new businesses and projects with veterans.

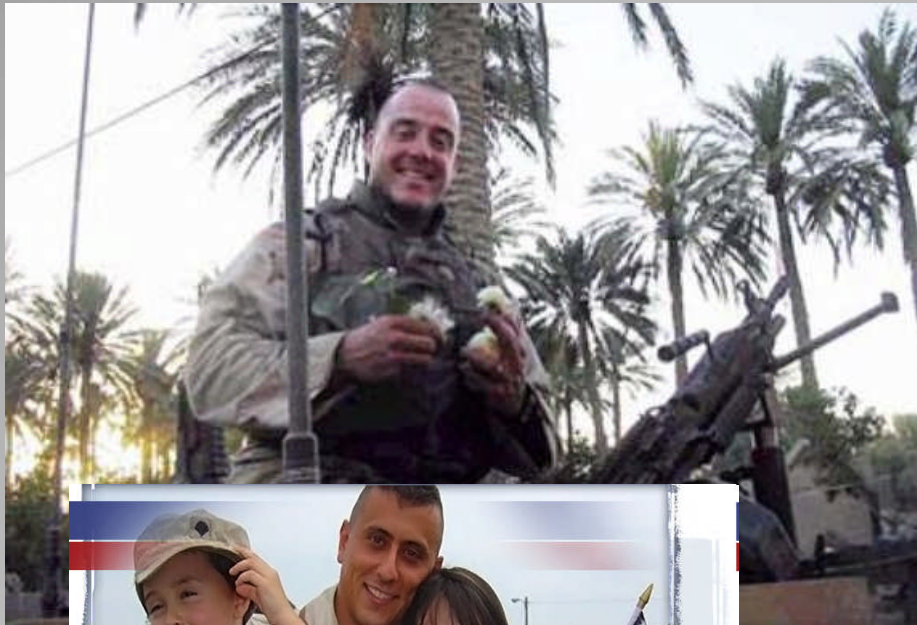
Leadership Team

- Veterans Initiative Center & the Research Institute, VICTRI, has adopted a leadership role with the project. VICTRI serves to “incubate” veteran initiated businesses or projects. www.victri.org
- Roark, Kramer, Kosowski Design and CLOSE Landscape Architects have provided initial plans for re-use of the existing property and facilities, and design for future building on the campus. www.closeandarch.com and www.peterkramerarchitect.com
- Life's Resiliency Mentoring, Inc. will design and implement protocols for wellness treatment, care and training on site. The Complementary and Integrative Medicine Program of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester has endorsed and will monitor wellness treatment effectiveness through an evidenced based outcome follow up study. Medical needs will be attended to by nearby Veteran Administration Hospitals and Clinics as well as from the local community hospital and clinic.
- The Farmer Veteran Coalition, a 501c3 organization, will establish, maintain and operate Valley Forge Farm, a sustainable agriculture training program focusing on family farm practices and providing year round organic produce for Valley Forge Village www.farmvetco.org
- LarsonAllen,LLP-CPA's, Consultants & Advisors will provide financial consultation and advice on operational correctness and compliance www.larsonallen.com
- BWCA Asset Managers will be responsible for overall management of all facility operations and maintenance.
- And, a group of dedicated volunteers giving time and energy to bring this timely vision to a reality.

- *Environmental Assessment Worksheet (EAW) complete*
- *Historical survey complete*
- *Phase I environmental study complete*
- *Preliminary Plat (Common Interest Community) complete*
- *Topographical survey (1' contour surveyed) complete*
- *Archeological study, all mounds have been located*
- *Asbestos and lead paint study complete*
- *All significant trees, located and surveyed*
- *All underground infrastructure, located and surveyed*
- *Reuse study complete*
- *Buildings meet American Disabilities Act (ADA) Code*
- *Campus has "Connect Minnesota" high-speed internet*
- *Condition of roofs and physical plant documented*
- *Exceeds code for Fire Marshall and State Health Department*
- *Property is in a JOBZ zone*

More than Shovel Ready

The following work has been completed



**MILITARY
FAMILIES**
ARE MADE UP OF
TWO TYPES OF
HEROES:



Benefits

The need and the opportunity are clear.

Valley Forge Village will offer not only direct benefit to veterans, their families and care professionals, but will offer significant public value in the form of jobs - approximately 40 jobs in the start-up phase and more during ongoing operations.

- The property is currently being offered for sale at \$4.6 million
- This includes 120 acres and 21 buildings capable of housing 200 residents
- A total of \$3.5 million is required for acquisition of furniture, fixtures and equipment, and for building renovation to provide for immediate housing.

Acquisition and Start-up Costs

Property acquisition, building renovation and equipment totals \$8.1 million

- ***If you and others help we can build a place where we can begin to repay the sacrifice made by others to protect our country and way of life***

- If you would like to be a part of this unique opportunity or would like more information, please **contact:**

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It is a huge project but it can be accomplished with your help.