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## Veteran Home Repair Program Kicks off 2022 Season with Free Veteran Roof Replacement Grant

**Canton, Georgia – May 4, 2022** – The Cherokee County Homeless Veteran Program, along with Habitat for Humanity are again kicking off their Veteran Home Repair program for Cherokee, North Fulton, Dawson, Forsyth, Pickens, and other North Georgia counties for 2022.

This Program has provided needed home repairs, HVAC replacements, Roofs, mobility ramps and other projects at no cost to Veteran for the past seven years. The teams often collaborate on a Veteran project using Home Depot Foundation grants, grants from Gary Sinise Foundation, local community grants such as the Volunteer Aging Council and Community Block Development grants available if you reside in Cherokee County to provide the funding for the projects that are done.

The team also partner along project needs as Habitat for Humanity provides the necessary licensed contractors required for projects that include HVAC, Plumbing, Electrical, Roofing, and others. Cherokee County Homeless Veterans Program, which is currently a subunit of the Canton American Legion Post 45, projects are centered around more general construction projects such as decks, mobility ramps or other basic types of projects.

To kick off this year's program, they are pleased to announce that 10.10 Contracting LLC from Canton is offering a complete new roof to a Veteran in need of one. Eddie Donovan, 10.10 Regional Sales Manager is a former Marine and his partner is also a Veteran and they wanted to find a way to pay it forward to another Veteran and as a result they came up with this idea. IF you are a Veteran and in need of a roof, please contact Eddie directly at <a href="mailto:sedonovan@1010contracting.com">sedonovan@1010contracting.com</a>. The selection of the winning Veteran will be announced on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Other Veterans that have applied will be forwarded to Habitat for Humanity for follow-up for their program as well.

Habitat for Humanity projects do require that the Veteran complete an application process. To get an application Veteran need to contact Mary Lamond <a href="mailto:mlamond@habitat-ncg.org">mlamond@habitat-ncg.org</a>. You can also reach out to Jim Lindenmayer at <a href="mailto:jlindenmayer80@gmail.com">jlindenmayer80@gmail.com</a> if you are a Veteran and he will help you.

Besides contacting either of these organizations Veterans can contact the Team Depot Captain that is at each Home Depot Store. In many projects each Home Depot team members volunteer their time to help with Veteran projects

There are also a number of volunteer opportunities for anyone interested in working on either teams projects and you can contact either Jim Lindenmayer at <a href="mailto:ilindenmayer80@gmail.com">ilindenmayer80@gmail.com</a> or Keith Bogle at <a href="mailto:kbogle@bellsouth.net">kbogle@bellsouth.net</a> to find out what opportunities are available and how you can help. Corporate teams that want to sign up for projects are also encouraged to reach out.

The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veteran's service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans.

The American Legion is a nonpartisan, not-for-profit organization with great political influence perpetuated by its grass-roots involvement in the legislation process from local districts to Capitol Hill. Legionnaires' sense of obligation to community, state and nation drives an honest advocacy for veterans in Washington. The Legion stands behind the issues most important to the nation's veteran's community, backed by resolutions passed by volunteer leadership.

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