



2022 Veteran of the Year Reception and Dinner

Please join us for a special event honoring the 27th Annual Veteran of the Year

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Rachel's Lakeside
950 State Road, Dartmouth

The Veteran of the Year Award is presented to a Southeastern Massachusetts veteran in recognition of their outstanding contributions to veterans, veterans' issues, and the community as a whole.

Individual Reservations: \$75 ★ Veterans Reservations: \$50

Table Sponsor: \$750

(Includes one table for 8 guests. Table Sponsors help provide reservation discounts to veterans)

Reception, Dinner and Entertainment Sponsor: \$2,000

(Includes one table for 8 guests & signage)

Veteran of the Year Event Sponsor: \$5,000

(Includes three tables for 8 guests each, signage & remarks)

This event is generously sponsored by:



2022 Veteran of the Year Chief Warrant Officer 2 Rebecca Mann, USA (Ret)

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Mann began her U.S. Army service as a technician before moving into cybersecurity. She deployed to Afghanistan in 2008 and 2013. In March 2014, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Mann was serving with the 1st Combat Aviation Brigade, 1st Infantry Division when she sustained an injury to her right foot. Following months of pain and three surgeries, she retired after 11 years of service. In October 2017, Rebecca elected to have her right foot amputated. Due to a microvascular condition and significant pain in her left leg, she courageously elected to have her left foot amputated in 2020. Rebecca turned her experience into a way to serve disabled veterans, youth and adults. She is vice president of Mission Working Dogs, a nonprofit that improve the lives of people with disabilities by providing them with highly trained service dogs. Rebecca plays sled hockey for the Boston Shamrocks and the U.S. Women's National Development Sled Hockey Team. She made history as captain of Team World in August 2022 playing in the first Para Ice Hockey Women's World Challenge and winning the bronze medal. She performs outreach with Spaulding Adaptive Sports Center as the youth and community sled hockey coach in order to help veterans and youth have access to sports.

Founded in 1990 Veterans Transition House has provided more than 3,000 Southeastern Massachusetts homeless veterans with transitional and permanent housing and comprehensive supportive services. Veterans Transition House owns and operates seven properties across New Bedford with the capacity to accommodate housing for 95 homeless veterans. An additional 49 veterans are served within a Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) program. Opened in 2021, the new Anthony C. and Salvatore H. Alfiero Outreach Center is staffed with licensed clinicians to serve veterans in our community who are at risk of becoming homeless, experiencing food insecurity, and in need of human services.

Visit www.vetshouse.org to learn more or to make a tax-deductible donation. *Thank you.*