

**Oh, say, can you see, by the dawn's early light, What so proudly
we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming? Whose broad**

THE FOUNDATION
BEGAN when members
of the Ft. Detrick
Retiree Council
decided to support
Post 9/11 Veterans and
they asked Retired
Major General Cook
for his advise. He
advised them to start
a Not-For-Profit county
model for families of
Post 9/11 Veterans.

ONCE A COUNTY
MODEL is successful,
MG Cook will spread it
Maryland wide and
ultimately nationwide.
However, he passed
approximately a year
later and the retirees
re-named the
organization in his
name to honor him.



stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight' O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming . And the ...

WITH EVERYONE WORKING TOGETHER it was agreed that when a County program was successful they would expand it Maryland-wide and the Foundation started accepting requests for help from all Maryland Veterans and their families.

NEW CHALLENGES came with the expanded program and Foundation members began establishing liaisons with Maryland decision makers to meet the new challenges.



“We Need to HELP Post 9/11 Veterans and their Families”



rockets red glare, the bombs bursting in air, Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there. Oh, say, does ...

LEADERSHIP to expand veterans support came from many sources, but the key leadership to mature the program came mostly from the Maryland Adjutant General who made himself available whenever advice was needed.

TO SHOW OUR APPRECIATION, the Foundation Chair and Vice Chair presented certificates of thanks starting with the Maryland Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. James Adkins.

Maryland National Guard and Foundation Leadership



Virginia Cook, Vice Chair, MG James Atkins, Dr. Bill Prescott, Chair

that star-spangled banner yet wave O'er the land of the free and
the home of the brave? On the shore dimly seen, thro' the

COORDINATING
FOUNDATION
operations
required a team of
operational senior
decision makers to
organize a
Foundation
infrastructure to
achieve the goals
established by
Major General Cook

The organizational
skills of the team
members shown
were so effective
that over
\$20,000.00 was
raised and given to
veterans and their
family members in
in need the first
year of operations.

Maryland Team Leaders



Foundation President MWR Advisor Congressman Bartlett Retiree Council Chair MD N.G. Liaison Off.

**mists of the deep, Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence
reposes, What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,...**

**OUTREACH INTO
ORGANIZATIONAL
LEADERS with
qualified personnel
resources located
in veteran's
communities
Maryland-wide is
the key for first
hand contact
needed to locate
and assist veterans
in need.**

**IMMEDIATE HELP is
established through
organizations with
members who
reside in the same
communities of
veterans and have
personal contact
with services
needed to assist
veterans in need.**

Maryland VSO Leaders



**MD. Adjutant General, Veterans Department Commanders,
MWR Advisor, Elks Exalted Ruler and Foundation Leaders**

As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses? Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam, In full glory ...

**IMPORTANT
WOMAN TO WOMAN
FRG (Family
Readiness Group)
communications,
normally by veteran's
female spouses,
establishes a system
that enables sensitive
communications
when female family
members seek
assistance.**

**REGARDLESS OF HOW
requests are made
either through the
Foundation's toll free
telephone number or
email, all requests are
handled in a discreet
and private nature.**

Maryland American Legion Post 11 Riders



“Woman Partners” Help Desk

reflected, now shines on the stream; 'Tis the star-spangled banner: oh, may it wave O'er the land of the free and the ...

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

are eager to assist veterans and their families, but they don't know how.

The Foundation receives requests and forwards them to veterans posts for resolution by their members.

FINANCIAL NEEDS

are primarily donated to the Foundation who in turn makes the funds available to veterans based on the decisions of seasoned veterans from another era.

We're a Clearing House

Assist Service Members and their families in need



Coordinate local resources to resolve their challenges

**home of the brave. And where is that band who so
vauntingly swore That the havoc of war and the battle's ...**

POST 9/11 VETERANS

status is verified by
item A or B officials
before any assistance
is offered.

TRAINED VETERANS

SERVICE OFFICERS

from organizations
shown in item C
contact requestor to
determine & verify
assistance needed.

SERVICE CLUBS shown

in item D donate

funds to the

Foundation that are
used exclusively to
support the needs of
veterans and their
families.

The Vetting Process

A *Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs*

B *Ft. Detrick, MD Morale Welfare & Recreation*

C *Community Veterans Post Service Officers*

American Legion AMVETS Marine Corps League VFW

D *Community Service Clubs Provide Funds*

Elks Kiwanis Lions Moose Rotary Ruritan

confusion home and a country should leave us no more. Their blood has wash'd out their foul footstep's pollution. No refuge ...

REDUCING JOB SEARCHES for veterans who have difficulty finding jobs because many employers have difficulty adjusting for temporary loss of deployed veterans.

MANY EMPLOYERS ARE FRIENDLY TO HIRING VETERANS, but had no available system to locate veterans until this revised system became available and increased hiring of veterans.

VETERANS ARE IN THE TOP 30 PERCENTILE OF THEIR PEERS.

Jobs Program

The Foundation jobs program was developed jointly with Maryland National Guard Employment Officer and Maryland Director of U.S. Department of Labor Veterans Employment and Training Service.

Maryland Workforce Exchange Citizen Employment Services

Resume Writing Training

On Line Jobs Bank

NEW Revisions of Maryland Workforce Exchange

New Soldier Icon on Resumes and Vacancy Announcements

New Veteran's Service Post Officers Outreach

New Community Service Clubs Outreach

could save the hireling and slave From the terror of flight
or the gloom of the grave, And the star-spangled banner in ..

CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE MARYLAND
National Guard by using
the jointly developed
revised jobs procedures
of Maryland Workforce
Exchange along with
other innovations for
more employment
opportunities for
veterans.

NEW PROPOSED
COMMUNITY support
actions and other
proposed Foundation
revisions of U.S. Dept.
of Labor's (VETS-100
Report)" Affirmative
Action Plan to Hire
Veterans has the
potential, with the help
of Congress, to bring
about considerably
more jobs for veterans.

Jobs Program Impact

Applications by the
Maryland National Guard
raised employment
success rate from
30% to 70 %

The National Guard Bureau
now heralds program as
“BEST IN THE NATION”



**triumph doth wave O'er the land of the free and the home
of the brave. Oh, thus be it ever when free men shall stand, ...**

Crisis Intervention of all types

Mortgage Payments

Car Repairs

House Repairs

Unlimited Other Challenges

Between their loved homes and the war's desolation; Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n-rescued land Praise the


**Foundation Liaisons with
Active Duty and Reserve Component's
States' Departments of Veterans Affairs**

Foundation Newsletter

Disseminates information to appropriate private and public sector entities.

Power that has made and preserved us as a nation. Then conquer we must, when our cause is just, And this be our....

Foundation Newsletters




MiniBursts

Major General Boyd Cook Memorial Foundation, Inc.

A Bi-Monthly Publication for all post 9-11 Maryland Reserve Component & Active Duty Service Members

Maryland Volunteer Leaders Meet




DRAFT

Congressman Buck McKeon
Chairman, House Armed Services Committee

Congressman Roscoe Bartlett
Chairman, Tactical Air Land Subcommittee

BULLETIN BOARD

UNDER CONSTRUCTION



WE NEED A HELPING HAND

HERE'S THE GOAL: Provide a central directory that lists the many public and private sector veteran's assistance programs for post 9/11 veterans and this is our **start**. Please **CONTACT US** via our web site mgbc-md.org and tell us of any veteran's assistance programs you know of that would be appropriate to include in our directory.

AS OF: APRIL 10, 2011

4 Master updated Bulletin Board & bi-monthly Bulletin Board's are posted at mgbc-md.org.

Assistance

Major General Boyd Cook Memorial Foundation, Inc. Complete Foundation Request Form on web site for prompt community support.
mgbc-md.org or call toll free (t) 877.99.4VETS 8387.

American Legion home page lists support programs - drill down on the below site to locate veterans' posts in your community
<http://www.legion.org>

AMVETS home page lists support programs - drill down on the below site to locate veterans' posts in your community.
<http://www.amvets.org>

Marine Corps League Home page lists support programs - drill down on the below site to locate veterans' posts in your community.
<http://www.deptofmdmcl.org>

Maryland DLLR, "Veteran" Priority Service ONE-ON-ONE ASSISTANCE Maryland's One Stop Career Centers.
<http://dllr.maryland.gov>

Military One Source 24/7 ARMY - MARINE CORPS NAVY - AIR FORCE A virtual installation extension service
Call Now 1-800-342-9647

VFW home page lists support programs - drill down on the below site to locate veterans' posts in your community.
<http://www.vfw.org>

Guard & Reserve 2011 Family Assistance Handbook

Air Force
www.afrc.af.mil/library/family.asp

Army well-being
www.aemywell-being.org

Coast Guard Reserve (National Military Family Association)
www.nmfa.org

Marine Forces Reserve
www.marforres.usmc.mil

National Guard Family Program
www.guardfamily.org

Navy www.nffsp.org www.lifelines.navy.mil

Employment Disability Service

Easter Seals, Disability Service Program Coordinator
301.920.9722 jmcnurlen@eseal.org

Employment Issues

ESGR Issues with employers for taking time off to attend military duty, training etc., etc - ESGR Ombudsman, at no cost, will help Reserve Component Veterans solve employment disputes.
In Maryland call: 1-800-336-4590, select option 1.

motto: "In God is our trust." And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave...

Yellow Ribbon Award

3rd

**Year In
A Row**



Major General James Gillman and
Foundation Vice President Brian Kobus