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The Salvation Army Veterans and Family Center Ribbon-Cutting on Oct. 1 to showcase \$5.4 million in renovations

On Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 10 a.m., **The Salvation Army Veterans and Family Center (VFC)** will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony and tour celebrating the completion of three phases of renovations totaling \$5.4 million. The renovation project started in 2022 and finished this year thanks to the generous help of grants from the Veterans Administration of \$2.4 million; The Salvation Army Cascade Division of \$2.2 million; The Home Depot Foundation of \$300,000 and Washington County Housing Authority of \$300,000. The VFC building, built in 1972, is located at 14825 SW Farmington Road in Beaverton.

Dignitaries invited to attend and/or speak at The Salvation Army VFC event include Beaverton Mayor Lacey Beatty; Beaverton Police Chief Stacy Jepson; The Salvation Army Territorial Commander Commissioner Douglas Riley; local Congressional and Council leaders; and the Hillsboro Veterans of Foreign Wars will be posting the Colors.

"The Salvation Army Veterans and Family Center is committed to providing up-to-date, comfortable and dignified housing to honor our Veterans who have sacrificed to serve our country," said Major Rhonda Lloyd, VFC Executive Director.

Divisional Commander Major Jonathan Harvey added, "The Salvation Army is honored to provide this safe, clean and freshly refurbished space for 68 Veterans who have so selflessly served our country. We are grateful to the Veterans Administration, The Home Depot Foundation, and the Washington County Housing Authority for helping make this possible, along with this countless community members who care about Veterans. We could not have accomplished these much-needed improvements without their generous support."

The renovations resulted in 48 single-occupancy rooms with private ADA-compliant bathrooms with new fixtures, updated plumbing and electric, and asbestos removal (three of those are completely ADA Accessible Units with roll-in showers for single Veterans or couples with mobility limitations). There are now a total of 75 single-occupancy rooms with private bathrooms, equipped with HVAC, double-paned windows, and solid surface flooring; as well as new windows, exterior doors and paint throughout the building. Three are family units with updated kitchenettes and 24 are double-occupancy rooms for Veterans with a child or partner.

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About The Salvation Army

The Salvation Army annually helps 30 million Americans overcome poverty, addiction, and economic hardships through a range of social services. By providing food for the hungry, emergency relief for disaster survivors, rehabilitation for those suffering from drug and alcohol abuse, and clothing and shelter for people in need, The Salvation Army is doing the most good at 7,600 centers of operation

around the country. In the first-ever listing of “America’s Favorite Charities” by The Chronicle of Philanthropy, The Salvation Army ranked as the country’s largest privately funded, direct-service nonprofit. For more information, please call (503) 239-1259 or visit <https://veterans.salvationarmy.org/>. Follow us on Twitter: @salarmycascade and #DoingTheMostGood; Instagram: @salarmypdx; YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAeczfwlk60JFgGexAlSxXg> (@salarmypdx); and LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/salarmycascade/> (@salarmycascade).

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