

Quarterly Newsletter



Message from our Founder

June 28, 2025 was our 1 year anniversary of NXTStep Vets. It has been an honor to assist the veteran community find their purpose to thrive. When NXTStep Vets was founded, I was unsure of which lives would be impacted by the Non Profit.

I am happy to say that after the first year, we have been able to assist homeless veterans, mentally struggling veterans and veterans whom just needed a little mentorship. Seeing each of the Alumni interact with each other has been a truly humbling experience.

The organization could not be what it is after the first year without the help of mentors and other Alumni themselves.

Get involved

email gonzo@nxtstepvets.org
We are seeking Mentors nationwide and volunteers to assist locally.

Where we are Today

Founded June 2024

Things have gone a long way in its first year! During our first year, we raised \$36,452 in our first year. of that, \$33,278 has gone back to helping veteran lives. How have we done that?

- 236 Hotel Nights Paid
- 4 donated vehicles
- Veteran Attorney representation
- Equipment needed for veteran employment
- Veteran Work pay for projects at Non-Profits
- Food Assistance

If this is what we can do in our first year, imagine what we can do in our 2nd year with your support!

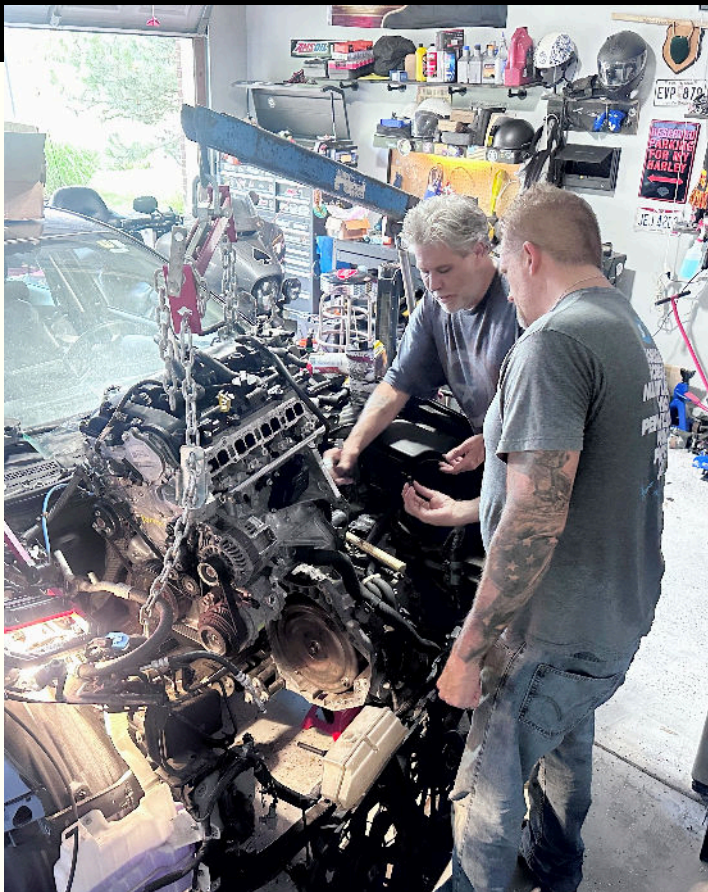
What we are working on

The outline for NXTStep Vets has evolved since its founding. Initially meant to consist of retreats to connect mentors, we have evolved into an arsenal to work with community service groups and veteran non profits with one goal in mind... Helping Veterans Find their Purpose to Thrive

How You help NXTStep Grow

As funding is a crucial part in assisting veterans, mentorship is how we truly make a difference. Financial assistance for veterans is a way to take the stress of current situations. Mentorship is what keeps the veterans from getting into the same situations in life. Through Mentorship is how we truly thrive!

This doesn't mean you can't donate! Look for our quarterly raffles as this is a great way for us to fund what we do!



Fundraising News

NXTStepo Vets will be holding Quarterly Gun raffles. You can visit nxtstepvets.org and go to our shop or donate section to see our current raffle and purchase tickets!

How can Purpose make you Thrive?

No individual is alike, we are all unique but we do share common grounds with others. When we can focus on that common ground, it helps build strong bonds. Many of those that joined the service did so because they have that internal instinct to serve others. That sense of service is what builds the camaraderie within the veteran community.

Life after service becomes difficult when we lose that purpose to serve others. While some might adapt quickly to civilian life, many struggle. By helping veterans understand their passions beyond service, you can help them translate that to financial freedom as well. That is our goal at NXTStep Vets.

Seen in this picture are two veterans that served as mechanics while in the service. Two veterans that did not know each other before NXTStep. One of these veterans thrives independently while the other struggles to find the light at the end of the tunnel. Together they can help each other thrive!

Savage .350 Legend Raffle

Purchase tickets for the Savage .350 Legend Bolt Action Rifle with Weaver Scope. At \$10 per ticket and only 250 tickets being sold, this raffle equates to 60 nights paid for homeless veteran housing.



Buy Tickets

2ND ANNUAL

VET GOLF CLASSIC



PLEASE JOIN US IN SUPPORTING:
NXT STEP VETS AND WAYPOINT VETS CHARITIES



50% OFF
for Veteran
Teams

4 PLAYERS: \$800 2 PLAYERS: \$400
3 PLAYERS: \$600 1 PLAYER: \$200

September 19, 2025
Raffles, Hole In One
and Cash Prizes

8:30AM BREAKFAST
9:00AM TOURNAMENT
2:30PM AWARDS LUNCH
5:00PM BANQUET

Veteran New Story

Watch this story about one of our veteran Alumni and how NXTStep Vets is making a difference in his life

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1NUX9oQWwp/?mibextid=wwXlfr>

VET Golf Classic

If you either like Golf or enjoy driving around in a Golf Cart for a good cause, the VET Golf Classic is the place for you! This year, we will be holding the VET Golf Classic in Loveland OH at Hickory Woods Golf Course on September 19th.

We will have Live Auction items to include, signed Tiger Woods Masters Flag, signed Tom Brady Football, S&W Spec Metal Comp Pistol and a caribbean vacation! We will also be holding prizes for closest to the hole, hole in one, longest drive and tournament winners.

Don't Golf? That's ok, we are holding a banquet that includes dinner, entertainment, auctions and drinks at the local VFW 5354 Post.

Sign up your team at qrco.de/VETCLASSIC. If you would like to become a sponsor or volunteer that day, please reach out to vfw5354@gmail.com or Gonzo@nxtstepvets.org.

This years Golf Tournament is assisting two veteran 501(c)3's, Waypointvets.org and nxtstepvets.org

Donation Efforts

I would like to thank our sponsors that continuously assist our mission.

VFW Post 1069

VFW Post 5354

Combat Vets Motorcycle Association OH 12-2

Truck Drivers USA

AppVault

Road Gang Radio

All of you whom purchase raffle Tickets!!

Helping Others Thrive

We have already noted that helping someone find their purpose is the way to help them thrive. It comes from one of our latest Alumni. Lamuel is an Army Veteran, Retired Social Worker and Herbologist. He was referred to us after his house caught fire leaving him and his family without a home. This took a toll on him but through his wisdom he knew he had to stay busy during these times. Lamuel relied on his passion trade... gardening. As a trained Herbologist, he was able to grow a luscious garden with multiple fruits and vegetables within a short amount of time.

Part of assisting him is trying to find a way to make this his passion career. We are currently working on helping him secure an acre of land to start his own 501(c)3. The vision is to start a garden that can give back to the community. While the garden might provide the food, it will also be a place for other veterans learn the trade from Lamuel.

If you would like to learn more about how you can help with his initiative, please reach out to gonzo@nxtstepvets.org

Mentorship

If you would like to become a mentor for NxtStep Vets, please email gonzo@nxtstepvets.org. Mentors are one of the most powerful tools that we have to help our veterans.



Future Community Garden

If you would like to help find a name, sponsor, donate or invest your time in helping Lamuel start his Non-Profit, reach out to Gonzo@nxtstepvets.org