



July 28th 2026

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between Veteran Service Organizations and Heaven Sent Community Services and Veterans Assistance, Inc.

Date: July 9, 2026

I. Purpose

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by and between:

- VFW District 4 of Mississippi
- Fleet Reserve Association Branch/Post 264 of Mississippi
- VFW Post 4982 of Mississippi
- American Legion Post 257 of Mississippi
- DAV Chapter 56 of Mississippi
- DAV Chapter 11 of Alabama
- Heaven Sent Community Services and Veterans Assistance, Inc.

(collectively referred to as “the Parties”).

The purpose of this MOU is to formalize our collaborative commitment to support active-duty service members, veterans, their widows, dependents, and caregivers through coordinated outreach, events, and services. The Parties will jointly work to strengthen membership, connect veterans and families to benefits, and improve quality of life in the communities we serve.

II. Shared Mission and Principles

The Parties agree that:

1. Our collaboration is grounded in the **military oath of enlistment**, the mission and bylaws of each participating veteran service organization, and the bylaws of
2. Heaven-Sent Community Services and Veterans Assistance, Inc.
3. We recognize that no single organization can meet all needs alone, and that **working together** increases our ability to reach and assist veterans, widows, and dependents effectively.
4. We will uphold respect, integrity, and non-discrimination toward all veterans, service members, families, and partners.



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III. Areas of Collaboration

The Parties agree to work together in the following areas:

Membership and Outreach

Jointly petition and recruit new members for all organizations listed in this MOU.

Coordinate outreach events, information tables, and public engagements to raise awareness of available services and membership opportunities.

Benefits and Claims Support

Support Soldiers and Veterans, their widows and dependents with access to benefits from:

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

Department of Defense (DoD)

Social Security Administration

Share information and, when appropriate, refer individuals between organizations to ensure they receive complete and accurate assistance.

Events, Volunteering, and Community Support

Collaborate on events such as resource fairs, ceremonies, training sessions, and community gatherings that honor and assist veterans and families.

Encourage members and volunteers to support each other's activities where feasible, including deployments, drives, and special projects.

Health, Wellness, and Social Relationships

Promote health and wellness initiatives, including mental health awareness, peer support, and access to appropriate resources.

Foster positive social relationships and reduce isolation among veterans, widows, dependents, and caregivers.



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Housing and Stability

Collaborate on efforts to prevent and address homelessness and housing instability among veterans, widows, and dependents.

Support housing referrals, shelter placements, and long-term stability planning in partnership with local housing agencies and community partners.

Domestic Violence and Crisis Response

Work together to identify and respond to domestic violence and other crisis situations affecting veterans and their families, using appropriate referral pathways and safety plans.

Where appropriate, coordinate with law enforcement, victim services, and crisis hotlines while respecting confidentiality and organizational policies.

IV. Roles and Communication

- Each organization will designate a **primary point of contact** to coordinate communication, planning, and follow-up under this MOU.
- The Parties agree to share non-confidential information about upcoming events, opportunities, and community needs on a regular basis (for example, monthly check-ins or as needed).
- When sharing information about individual veterans or families, each organization will comply with its own privacy, confidentiality, and ethical policies.

V. Term and Review

- This MOU becomes effective on **July 28, 2026** and will remain in effect unless modified or terminated by mutual written agreement of the Parties.
- Any Party may withdraw from the MOU with written notice to the other Parties; however, all Parties agree to make reasonable efforts to provide at least 30 days' notice to avoid disruption of services.
- The Parties may review this MOU annually and update it as needed to reflect changing needs, resources, and opportunities.



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VI. Non-Binding Nature

This MOU is intended to **express the good-faith intentions** of the Parties and does not create a legally binding contract or financial obligation. Each organization remains responsible for its own governance, finances, and operations, and nothing in this MOU alters the bylaws or legal authority of any Party.



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VII. Signatures

By signing below, the Parties affirm their commitment to this collaborative understanding and to working together in the spirit of service to Soldiers, Veterans, their widows, dependents, and caregivers.

VFW Former District Quartermaster Mississippi

Name:

Title:

Signature:

Date:

Fleet Reserve Post 264 of Mississippi

Name:

Title:

Signature:

Date:

VFW Post 4982 of Mississippi

Name:

Title:

Signature:

Date:

American Legion Post 257 of Mississippi

Name:

Title:

Signature:

Date:

DAV Chapter 56 of Mississippi

Name:

Title:

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DAV Chapter 11 of Alabama

Name:

Title:

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Date:

Heaven Sent Community Services and Veterans Assistance, Inc.

Name: Joseph Ryan

Title: Founding Director

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Date: 07/ 28/2026



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