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with Project New Hope



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HAPPY NEW YEAR

SEASON'S GREETINGS



## Project New Hope's New Year, New You!

by Jennifer Cesaitis

There is little argument that 2022 was a challenging year. Project New Hope ended the year with their usual enthusiasm for serving our Massachusetts's Veteran and Military Community. Operation Jeepers Christmas helped over 400 children, Veterans and Families shared camaraderie and learned helpful strategies at the Project New Hope Retreats. Sully's Pantry in Worcester and Westfield continues to serve those in need during winter. The organization that promises a safe environment for Veterans to rebuild with honor met the challenges of 2022 head-on, and they can hardly wait to do even more in 2023!

Operation  
JEEP-ers Christmas



The need for help will never end, and Project New Hope (PNH) has vowed to continue their service to Veterans with care and compassion. Susan Wilder, the Executive Assistant to the President of PNH, says that in the Worcester office alone, they have seen an increase in need by 50%. With additions like these, PNH needs more help from you! Pantry items, gift cards, and baby items are always in demand and welcomed by the staff and volunteers. But now, more than ever, PNH needs volunteers. Have you been considering some of your New Year's Resolutions? If helping others is on your list, PNH has an excellent place to volunteer for the New Year's New You.

The Worcester location needs help with things such as unloading food vans and working in the pantry to fill orders and distribute them. PNH's annual outreach events and fundraisers during the warmer months need volunteers to make it all happen. Please visit the PNH website and sign up today for anyone looking to volunteer this coming year!

<https://www.projectnewhopema.org/volunteer/>

Help make 2023 a better year for Veterans, the Military, their Families, and you by volunteering today!





## Operation JEEP-ers Christmas

Joy delivered to Veterans and Military!

Over 400 Families!



*Nothing is going to stop us this year...*



Thank you to our sponsor "elves" who made this season possible!



## Donna Pivero

Donna is a Reflexologist and has been volunteering with Project New Hope for about 7 years. When she realized her goal of becoming a reflexologist, her training for working with Veterans allowed her to recognize specific sensitivities for people who may be in crisis or dealing with trauma, including Veterans. She was drawn to making the connections her clients need in the moment and Donna says she finds the experience very humbling. She comes from a Family of Marines which makes her more aware of being sensitive to Veterans needs. Her joy of providing services at PNH retreats and at the Westfield location encourages her to provide better care and she looks forward to continuing this service for a long time!

### Who Can Volunteer?

We are always looking for kind and caring people who want to make a difference in the world. You will be joining an enthusiastic and friendly community devoted to the highest professional standards of care. There is something for everyone who volunteers at Project New Hope!

### How Do I Volunteer?

Apply [HERE](#) - it's easy with our online application.



# Project New Hope, Inc. 2022 Memorial Awards

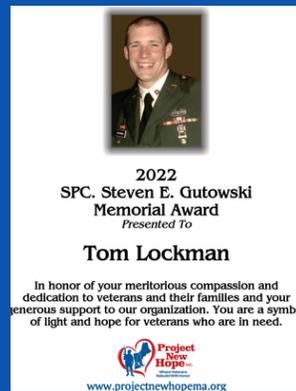
Each year Project New Hope, Inc. has the honor to present Memorial Awards to our community partners and volunteers. Each of these awards recognizes the meritorious compassion and dedication to Veterans and their Families and their generous support of Project New Hope, Inc. . These award recipients are a symbol of light and hope for Veterans who are in need.



2022 Lance Corporal Alex Arredondo Memorial Award ~ Traci and Jenny Linch  
2022 PFC Brian M. Moquin Memorial Award ~ Sharon Bolduc



2022 SRA Richard M. Setaro, Jr. Memorial Award ~ Ron Ernenwein  
2022 CPT Christopher J. Sullivan Memorial Award ~ Lori Zybas  
2022 SGT Michael Timothy Franklin Memorial Award ~ Frank Silun  
2022 PFC Christopher Dona Memorial Award ~ Bernie Patsky  
2022 SPC Kyle A Little Memorial Award ~ Chrissy Mazzilli



2022 Sergeant First Class Jared Monti, Medal of Honor Recipient Memorial Award ~ Mike Booth  
2022 Ralph F. Moore, Jr. Memorial Award ~ Dianna Casavecchia  
2022 SPC Brian K. Arsenault Memorial Award ~ Dexter Bishop, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War  
2022 SPC Steven E. Gutkowski Memorial Award ~ Tom Lockman



# Worcester, MA

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Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 1:00pm

Friday 9:00am - 2:00pm

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Sully's Food Pantry  
Open 1st & 3rd Saturdays  
9:00am - Noon

Sully's Baby Pantry  
Open Monday - Friday  
9:30am - 11:30am

What to Bring (one of the following):

Driver's License noting Veteran    VA healthcare card    DD214

DOD Military/ Dependant ID    CAC Card

Clothes    Shoes    Food    Diapers    Wipes    Formula    much more!  
Bring Veteran ID & Immediate Dependent Information

Veteran  
*Coffee*  
Socials

Tuesdays 9:00am - 10:15am  
All branches, all eras welcome!  
Have a coffee, share a story, regroup  
with other Veterans

## Need Assistance with a claim?

Will Valliere  
Veteran Service Officer (VSO) with  
Vietnam Veterans of America.



2nd & 4th Saturday  
9:00am - 1:00pm



## Westfield, MA



Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

9:00am - 2:00pm

Friday 9:00am - noon

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Email Jordan Gaj

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A variety of canned goods, meat, dairy products, and children's clothes are available for Veterans and their Families!

## Proudly Serving Veterans Every Month!



Each month we're proud to serve our fellow Veterans. Helping them rebuild with honor is a tenant of Project New Hope, Inc. This month we served

**600**

Veterans at our Sully's Food & Baby Pantry locations.