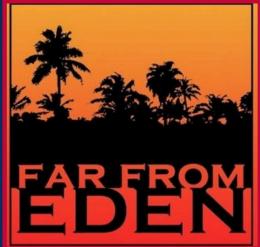


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Rockin 4 Vets Presents: Home Grown Rock to benefit Veterans!

Get ready for a night of incredible music and community connection at **Home Grown Rock**, presented by **Rockin' 4 Vets**. On **Saturday**, **March 29**, **2025**, music lovers and Veterans are invited to the **Vernon Hill American Legion Post 435** at **267 Providence Street**, **Worcester**, **MA**, for an unforgettable event.

The **James Montgomery Band**, famous for their high-energy, blues-style shows, will be joined by **Kevin James Graham** from *The Voice* and the incredible **Far From Eden**. Fans of live music, you don't want to miss this legendary show!

VIP packages are available to make your night even more fun! These include a **pre-show** wine and cheese meet-and-greet with the artists, a rare chance to chat with the musicians, and some relaxed, personal time before the show kicks off.

Tickets are available now, and purchasing them is easy:

- Scan the QR code on the event flyer.
- Visit the Eventbrite page at <u>JMB-ProjNewHope2025.eventbrite.com</u>.
- Stop by Project New Hope Inc. at 70 James Street, Suite 129A, Worcester, during business hours. Debbie Erickson handles sales on-site and is happy to answer any questions at (508) 685-5830.

This event is about more than great music—it's a chance to support **Project New Hope**, **Inc.** Every ticket purchased helps fund vital programs and services that make a real difference in the lives of those who have served.

Whether you're a Veteran, a music enthusiast, or just looking for a good time with great people, **Home Grown Rock** is an event to mark on your calendar. Share this opportunity with friends, bring the family, and come out for a night of music, camaraderie, and support for an amazing cause!

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on-line @ JMB-ProjNewHope2025.eventbrite.com 2025



Male Veterans Retreat

Do you struggle with PTS, Guilt, Anger, Fear, Physical Pain, Limiting Beliefs?

The Cortina Method (TCM) resolves & dissolves these problem areas.

Based on neuroscience, TCM is Brain-Based Healing that helps people get over trauma, WITHOUT having to relive ANY pain. Replace pain with joy, gratitude, relief, and excitement. Also enjoy Equine Therapy and holistic wellness of Yoga, Reiki, and Reflexology.

10 openings - Complete your application TODAY!

Phone interview and Employment ID/ DD-214

required.

August 7-11, 2025



2025 RETREATS



Genesis Spiritual Life & Conference Center

Retreat Information:
Click Here or
use our QR code





November 6-10, 2025

Genesis Spiritual Life & Conf. Center Westfield, MA

First responders often face immense emotional & psychological challenges due to the traumatic nature of their jobs.

This can lead to mental health struggles including depression, anxiety, and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

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2025 RETREATS





Click Here for Retreat
Information & Registration.



CONNECTING the DOTS Corner

Connection and Compassion at The Blue Cord Ball

Project New Hope is proud of our case manager, Shelby Frysinger, who is a true advocate for Veterans and their families. As a military spouse of 12 years, Shelby has lived through the unique challenges of military life firsthand. Her deep compassion and understanding shine through her work as case manager with Project New Hope, where she consistently goes above and beyond to support Service Members and their loved ones.

In February 2025, Shelby was honored to speak at the Blue Cord Ball, an annual event that brought together military community members from the 181st and 182nd Infantry Battalions of the Mass. National Guard.

During her speech, Shelby addressed a major issue among Veterans, Military, and their families: mental health. She spoke openly about the emotional toll that deployments and military life can take on Veterans and their families. She highlighted the incredible support available through PNH, including therapuetic retreats, and resources designed specifically for military families.

The message from Shelby to all attendees- prioritiuze your mental health. Seek support and help to build a culture of understanding, compassion, and connection in the military and











Gillian Braley

Gillian is a shining example of generosity and dedication in our community. As a volunteer, she brings an incredible amount of energy and kindness to everything she does, from organizing the food pantry to helping with food distribution and outreach events. On distribution days, Gillian is always there, making sure things run smoothly and that everyone feels cared for. Her willingness to take on any task—big or small—demonstrates her deep commitment to serving others. With her positive attitude and genuine enthusiasm, Gillian is not only an invaluable part of our team but also an inspiring reminder of how much one person's selflessness can impact the lives of Veterans and community members, alike.

Would you like to Volunteer?

Apply <u>HERE</u> - it's easy with our online application.





PNH & Our Community!

Thank you, Kerrie Gustafson MacQuarrie, and the GFWC
Auburn Junior Woman's Club, Inc., for stopping by on
Saturday with your generous donation!
Auburn Junior Woman's Club is a volunteer community
service organization in Auburn, Massachusetts, dedicated to
Living the Volunteer Spirit!





A heartfelt thank you to Patty and Shelby for representing Project New Hope at the 65th Annual District 33-A Lions Mid-Winter Conference this weekend. We also extend our gratitude to the Worcester Lions Club for organizing a service project to collect much-needed items for PNH.

We deeply appreciate all the District 33-A
Lions Clubs that contributed to this Food
Drive.

A heartfelt thank you to Charlene Van Cott, Care Coordinator at Disabled American Veterans (DAV) of MA Service Fund Inc. VICTORY CAMPUS (Gardner, MA), for visiting Project New Hope this afternoon to pick up extra boxes of meat for their food pantry.

This pantry, formerly run by Veteran Homestead Inc., is now officially operated by DAV Dept. of MA Service Fund Inc. under the Veteran Advancement Program.

With this transition, the program is expanding its reach, providing even more essential support and services to veterans and their families.

We are proud to collaborate with organizations like DAV that are dedicated to ensuring our veterans receive the care and resources they deserve.







Community Impact had a great two-day volunteering session with PNH in Worcester!

They worked to help prep for the monthly food pantry: fulfilling orders, taking inventory, and unloading donations. On Saturday, they were here at 7am to load veterans cars with pantry items, milk, eggs, bread, and toiletries. We enjoyed getting to know the team and watching them connect with Veterans.





Thank you, Gill and Becca, for supporting our Valentine's Day
Lunch at Texas Roadhouse Worcester today!

Your generosity helped us honor our heroes and share love
and appreciation with the citizen soldiers and airmen of the
National Guard, as well as the soldiers, airmen, Marines,
sailors, and Coast Guardsmen who have served our nation.

A huge thank you to our incredible volunteers for braving the extreme cold, February 15, to serve our Veterans and Military families. Your dedication makes a real difference in the lives of those who have sacrificed so much for our country







Worcester, MA 01603

Open 1st & 3rd Saturdays

9:00am - Noon by appointment

What to bring: Driver's license noting Veteran, VA healthcare card, DD214, DOD military/dependant ID, CAC Card We have winter Clothes for kids!

(774) 243-7859
Diane Soave:
dsoave@projectnewhopema.org

Office Hours: Mon - Thurs 9:00am - 1:00pm Friday 9:00am - 2:00pm





Hampton Ponds Plaza 1029 North Road, Suite 9 Westfield, MA 01085

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8:30am-1:30 pm

CLOSED WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS

Call or Email today to set up your next appointment!

(413) 485-7988
Patty Moore:
pmoore@projectnewhopema.org





DO YOU NEED ASSISTANCE FILING A CLAIM?

We are here to serve you and your family.

Jason Main, VSO Leomister, Sterling, and Leicester

or

Meg Murphy, VSO Pepperell

2nd Saturday of each month 8:00 am - 12:00 pm





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Where Veterans Rebuild With Honor

Project New Hope, Inc. 70 James Street. Suite 129A Worcester, MA 01603





Are you a <u>Central Massachusetts Veteran</u> behind on your fuel payment and are in need of support, **Project New Hope Inc.** is here to support you, in partnership with the

United Way.

Grant Funding is provided by the National Grid Foundation to address the demand for utility assistance to Military and Veterans by providing the fuel neutral utility assistance.

Requirements:

- Veteran Verification
 Documentation
- Past Due Bill
- Attendance at 1 Budgeting Class with Sue Katz
- ** Grant is open to Central Mass Veterans Only
- ** Payment will be submitted directly to fuel company. Funds available while supplies last.

Please reach out to our Case Manager, Shelby Frysinger, for more information. (508) 762-1459

sfrysinger@proejctnewhopema.org





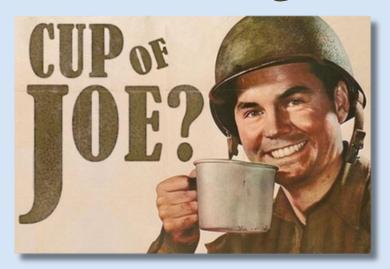






Veterans

Off Social



Tuesdays 8:30 - 10:30 am

Project New Hope, Inc. 70 James Street, Suite 129A Worcester, MA 01603

(774) 243-7859

Have a coffee, share a story, or reconnect with other Veterans.

All branches of all eras welcome!



11th Annual

Salute our Veterans

Motorcycle Ride

Saturday August 16, 2025 Honoring All Who Served









KICKSTANDS UP 11:30 AM FUN & FOOD TIL 4:00 PM

POLICE ESCORTED RIDE

CAMARADERIE

RAFFLES



CHECK-IN

9:30 AM

REGISTER

\$20/Rider

\$10/passenger Lunch Included New Location!

RIDE START:

WAGNER MOTORSPORTS

460 SOUTHBRIDGE STREET AUBURN, MA 01501

RIDE END:

VERNON HILL AM. LEG. POST 435

267 PROVIDENCE ST WORCESTER, MA 01607

All proceeds benefit Veterans by funding programs through Project New Hope, Inc.

(508) 762-9738



Sponsorship Information:

https://projectnewhopema.charityproud.org/Eve.../Index/22053

Platinum Sponsor: \$1000, 4 Ride Tickets and 4 tee-shirts, Logo on back of ride tee-shirt, 4 catered lunch admissions, Logo included on the banner hung at lunch site. Company logo on social media Platforms, Special recognition from podium at opening ceremony & lunch.

Gold Sponsor: \$500, 2 Ride tickets and 2 tee-shirts, Logo on the back of ride tee-shirt, 2 catered lunch admissions, Logo included on banner hung at lunch site, Company logo on social media Platforms, Special recognition from the podium at lunch.

Silver Sponsor: \$250, 1 Ride ticket and one tee-shirt, Logo on back of ride tee-shirt, one catered lunch admission, Company logo on social media platforms.

RIDE with US!

The deadline for sponsorship artwork / logo submissions is **July 18th, 2025.** All artworks should be submitted either as a .JPEG or .TIF. Files should be sent to:

Bill Moore at bmoore@projectnewhopema.org or 508-713-3362.

Please make a check made payable to: Project New Hope, Inc.

Mail it to:

Project New Hope, Inc 70 James Street, Suite 155 Worcester, MA 01603

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Heritage

Charlton, MA

Saturday, August 16, 2025

> REGISTRATION **12 NOON**



SHOTGUN START 1:00 PM



ENTRY FEE \$150.00/ PLAYER



REGISTRATION INCLUDES GOLF, CART, **DINNER & PRIZES.**

> **LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED BY** CHICK-FIL-A OF WORCESTER.

HOLE-IN-ONE CAR PRIZE IS SPONSORED BY WAGNER MOTORS.

FIRST & SECOND PLACE PRIZE PACKS SPONSORED BY TEXAS ROADHOUSE WORCESTER.



REGISTRATION

1. To pay by Credit Card, visit the link below. Register as an individual but make sure you identify a team captain of your 4-person team and enter their name.

2. To pay by Check- Make checks payable to Project New Hope and mail to: **CAPT Robyn Coons** 70 James Street, Suite 155 Worcester, MA 01603.

OTHER WAYS TO PARTICIAPTE

Sponsor A HOLE:

Platinum - \$1500.00 (hole sign, banner and foursome)

- \$500.00 (hole sign and banner) Gold - \$250.00 (hole sign and banner) Silver

Donor: \$100.00 donation places your name and/or business on the donation flver.

Raffle: Donate a Gift Card or item for the Raffle.

Sponsor A VET(S): Sponsor a Vet to play by donating registration fee(s).

Contact CAPT Coons, Tournament Administrator, at 508-887-6264 or rcoons@bop.gov.



Project New Hope, Inc. Veterans' Holistic Wellness

Chair Massage

Enjoy the relaxation and health benefits of a chair massage with Delaney!

- First Monday of each month
- 20-minute sessions
- Appointments from 5-7 pm

Reflexology

Whole Body benefits through the feet.
Feel relaxed and refreshed with Dawn!

- Fourth Tuesday of each month
- 30-minute sessions
- Appointments from 6-8 pm

Please call our Worcester office to schedule your appointment today!
(774) 243-7859

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