



As reported in the Prince George's County Gazette and the Washington Post. "Prince George's County, has the highest population of veterans in the state and a high number of homeless veterans, according to the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs. The department, which doesn't keep exact statistics on homeless veterans statewide, unofficially estimates there are more than 2,500 homeless veterans in Prince George's County.

Prince George's County Executive Jack B. Johnson (D), who served in the Army during the 1970s, said needs for veterans have increased at a time when the county has had to cut social services.

"Many veterans are now falling through the cracks," he said. "We have promised them things through their service, and in a sense we are not living up to these promises."

County Councilman Tony Knotts (D-Dist. 8) of Temple Hills, who served as a Marine in the 1970s, said there needs to be a discussion between government and nonprofit organizations to assist homeless veterans. "We all have to come to the table to have some kind of responsibility so that we won't be duplicating efforts," he said. "Once we have a strategic plan, we can determine what can be done."

**John 14:2, Inc. a Nonprofit Organization
&
The Veterans Training and Support Center
Is hosting a
Veteran Roundtable**

December 4, 2009 1:00 P.M.

At the

Office of Delegate Justin D. Ross

Chief Deputy Majority Whip

6 Bladen St.

Annapolis, MD 21401

Topics:

Homeless and at risk Veterans

Collaboration and Partnerships

What can we do to help?

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