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Norfolk County Sheriff Patrick W. McDermott to host veterans-focused "House to House for Heroes" in Weymouth *Volunteer effort on Saturday, April 5, 2025 honors all who have served*

Weymouth, MA – Norfolk County Sheriff Patrick W. McDermott has announced the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office will host a veterans-focused "House to House for Heroes" on Saturday, April 5th involving dozens of volunteers who will visit the homes of veterans in Weymouth to share vital information about the important resources and new benefits available to them.

Weymouth will be the first of several House to House efforts by the sheriff's office in 2025, with other similar events planned in Canton, Walpole, and Foxborough. This year's rollout of House to House for Heroes follows very successful veteran outreach efforts in the past year in Quincy and Braintree.

House to House for Heroes in Weymouth will begin with a special kickoff ceremony at Weymouth High School, located at One Wildcat Way, before volunteers head out to connect with veterans, in partnership with the Weymouth Veterans Service Office, and with the assistance of the local American Legion, the Disabled American Veterans, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"Veterans have earned our support through their courageous patriotic service and dedication to our country, but many of them may be unaware of the help and new benefits available to them," said Sheriff McDermott. "This outreach stands to change that, with face-to-face meetings at their doorsteps, to make sure their needs are being met."

Norfolk County residents who are interested in joining us in this effort as volunteers can [register here](#).

The link is: <https://bit.ly/HouseToHouseWeymouth>

Volunteers will deliver a packet of information that includes a letter thanking the veterans for their service, helpful information about how to apply for assistance and health benefits from Veterans Affairs, details about housing and employment opportunities, information about newly available state benefits, as well as contacts for many veteran-based agencies.

The state's new Hero Act, signed by the Healey-Driscoll Administration last August affects hundreds of thousands of veterans across Massachusetts, and the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office wants to make sure they are aware of these landmark new benefits, which include:

- A recent increase in the Disabled Veteran Annuity
- Expanded access to behavioral health treatment
- An allowance for cities and towns to double property tax exemptions
- Expansion of the definition of Veteran Dependent
- Protection of the sales tax exemption
- Codified medical and dental assistance benefits

Veterans who live in the Town of Weymouth who are unsure if they are registered as a veteran, should contact the Town of Weymouth Veteran Services Office at 781-340-2405

House to House for Heroes - Schedule of Events

Date: Saturday, April 5, 2025
Location: Weymouth High School, One Wildcat Way, Weymouth, MA
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
-Volunteer Arrival
-Veteran Houses Assigned
-Kickoff Ceremony
-Door-to-door veteran outreach

Please Note: House to House for Heroes will happen rain or shine.

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