

Thanks To Our Heros

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n November 11, we celebrate the heroic sacrifice that veterans made to allow for a free and prosperous society. Veterans have allowed us to engage in a free democratic society where we can vote, work, enjoy our liberties as reflected in our Bill of Rights, and gave us the chance to live in society that allows for beliefs of meritocracy.

Veterans gave us their lives, dreams, hopes, bodies, senses and mental health to allow for a free and democratic society. This is why, every November 11, we thank them for their extraordinary sacrifice.

We recognize the sacrifices that were made and CIDNY wants to say thank you. CIDNY serves all people with disabilities and through knowledge, self-advocacy skills and disability-related resources, we work to help all people with disabilities. Disabled Veterans is a population that we are eager to serve.

In November 2023, CIDNY is happy to launch a Directed Care Program for disabled veterans receiving home care and medical services from the Veteran Administration.

CIDNY's staff has participated in rigorous training and has been certified to provide this program to disabled veterans. The referrals for this program will come directly from the Veterans Administration.

CIDNY will be providing home-care-financial-management services, in-person independent living case management services and other benefit counseling assistance typically offered by an independent living center. Disabled veterans can provide an important perspective regarding the diversity, equity and inclusive advocacy needs for disabled people.

CIDNY wants to provide a supportive environment for all disabled veterans living throughout New York City. We want them to feel part of the disability community and learn about the advocacy and supportive services which an independent living center can provide.

If you are a disabled veteran, CIDNY thanks you for your military service. We welcome you to join our disability community and organization which focuses on the needs of all people with disabilities. Additionally, if you are not a veteran and a disabled person, CIDNY welcomes you to join our community and organization.

Please contact us at info@cidny.org or call us at 212 674-2300 to schedule an appointment. Thank you in advance for considering your participation in all that CIDNY's expertise can afford our Veterans.