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God's Love We Deliver Receives Grant Award from Disabled Veterans National Foundation

New York, NY - July, 2024 - God's Love We Deliver is honored to announce it has received a grant from the Disabled Veterans National Foundation (DVNF) for \$22,000, which will fund CONNECTED, the God's Love program that facilitates a food and nutrition service for former military service members with chronic/severe illness, mental health diagnoses, and/or substance use challenges.

David Ludwigson, President & CEO of God's Love We Deliver said, "We are honored to receive funding for our CONNECTED program from the Disabled Veterans National Foundation, a leader in critically needed support for one of the most underserved communities across the country. This grant will help God's Love work toward our goal of providing care for veterans who experience life-altering physical and mental health diagnoses that prevent them from shopping and cooking for themselves."

Joseph VanFonda (USMC Sgt.Maj. Ret.), CEO of the Disabled Veterans National Foundation said, "Supporting God's Love We Deliver in their mission to provide nutritious, medically tailored meals to veterans in need aligns perfectly with our commitment to improving the lives of those who have served. The CONNECTED program addresses the critical intersection of food insecurity and mental health, ensuring that veterans and their families receive the comprehensive care they deserve. We are proud to contribute to this vital initiative and help expand its reach to serve even more veterans."

[One in nine](#) working-age veterans in the US experience food insecurity, and food insecurity and mental health are [deeply interconnected](#). God's Love is proud to utilize our unique medically tailored meal program to serve those who have served in the United States military and armed forces, as this community continues to be deeply vulnerable in the face of physical and psychological health challenges that impact not only their well-being, but that of their families and caregivers as well. God's Love understands this and thus recognizes its importance by serving not only individuals, but their caregivers and dependents as well.

Through this new grant, God's Love will continue to strengthen the CONNECTED program through medically tailored meal delivery, nutrition counseling, and additional supportive services focused on mental health, wellness, community building, and peer-to-peer support.

About the Disabled Veterans National Foundation:

Disabled Veterans National Foundation exists to provide critically needed support to disabled and at-risk veterans who leave the military wounded—physically or psychologically—after defending our safety and our freedom.

DVNF achieves this mission by:

- Offering direct financial support to veteran organizations that address the unique needs of veterans, and whose missions align with that of DVNF.
- Providing supplemental assistance to homeless and low-income veterans through the Health & Comfort program and various empowerment resources.
- Providing an online resource database that allows veterans to navigate the complex process of seeking benefits that they are entitled to as a result of their military service, as well as additional resources they need.
- Serving as a thought leader on critical policy issues within the veteran community and educating the public accordingly

About God's Love We Deliver

God's Love We Deliver cooks and home-delivers nutritious, medically tailored meals for people too sick to shop or cook for themselves. Founded in 1985 as a response to the AIDS pandemic, we now serve people living with more than 200 different diagnoses. To support the health and well-being of our clients, we provide ongoing nutrition assessment, education, and counseling, and advocate for food and nutrition support. God's Love is a non-sectarian organization serving individuals living with illness, and their children and caregivers. With a community of thousands of volunteers, we plan to home-deliver more than 4.3 million medically tailored meals to nearly 16,000 individuals this year. All services are free to clients and full of love. For more information, visit glwd.org. Follow God's Love on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

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