Minnesota National Guard

Minnesota's Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Recognition Program

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Challenges don’t occur during training events ... Challenges occur at home in the community ...
No active duty military base, but people who care...
Yellow Ribbon Community/County Program
Commitment from Minnesota communities/counties to coordinate and synchronize support efforts. Key community/county partners are engaged and committed to a sustainable action plan to meet needs and beyond.

Community/County Key Partners:
- Elected Officials
- Faith Based Organizations & Volunteer Groups
- Veteran Service Organizations
- Behavioral Health, Social Service & Medical
- Law Enforcement & Public Safety
- Educators & Youth Service Providers
- Businesses & Employers
- Local Unit Representatives
- County Services

210 Cities and 26 Counties
Joining Community Forces - MN Events
Yellow Ribbon Company Program

Commitment from Minnesota companies and organizations to coordinate and synchronize support efforts. Key partners within organizations are engaged and committed to a sustainable action plan to meet needs and beyond.

Company Key Partners:
- Company Leadership
- HR-Recruiting
- HR-Policy and Procedure
- Training and Development
- Employee Outreach and Support
- Community Outreach and Support

38 Companies
YR Company Seminars

- Bi-annual events
- Project Patriot
- Leaders in Veteran Employment
- Best Practice Sharing
- Synchronized and connected resources
- Enduring relationships formed
- Focused networks of support
- United companies/communities
- Synchronized communication
- Locally accessible resources
- Shared best practices
Questions?