

From the CEO
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NEW ENGLAND CENTER FOR HOMELESS VETERANS

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PROVIDING HOMELESS VETERANS WITH THE TOOLS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING



APRIL ... Steps to Success ... Making it to the Top



NECHV President and CEO, Larry Fitzmaurice

Our theme this month emphasizes our new **CENTER** brand and highlights our continuing service offerings in addition to shelter and food. These include our strong training program through the Veterans Training School and our robust Clinical Services case management program, along with our 180 day intensive Post-detox program of which we are very proud.

The many **steps** in our building are symbolic of the **steps** that our veterans take each and every day at our transitional facility towards employment and independent living.

This past year saw new initiatives such as:

- Being recognized as a Cisco Academy in partnership with Bunker Hill Community College
- Forming an alliance with Wentworth Institute of Technology
- Establishing a Model Apartment program to prepare our clients with actual living experience within our building that is designed to foster sustained and successful transition to outside apartment living
- Initiating a Rental Assistance Program that provides grants for security deposits directly to landlords on our clients behalf
- The opening of the *Gateway to the Veterans' Training School* made possible by a generous gift from Bernard and Sophia Gordon
- Our dining hall renovation donated by Rebuilding Together Boston, Grand Circle Travel and other contributors
- Recognition by Babson College as an example of responsible *Social Entrepreneurship*

Financially, we had a successful year as well but, not without strong Board and staff intervention. Management pays close attention to budget and responds to changing circumstances before they become insurmountable problems.

Please read our Annual Report on this website for details.

We are proud of our accomplishments and with your continued help we hope to thrive and build in 2010. **Thank you for your trust.**

Please note: All funds are raised internally by our Development staff. No outside companies are used.

AND ...

Thanks, as always, to our Board for their support, the Gold Star Mothers, staff, volunteers and our generous benefactors. And, to our respected clients, **keep up the good work that you are doing and take advantage of what is offered here including the training programs. Stay strong and persevere!**

Larry

Laurence D. Fitzmaurice
President and CEO