



Friends of Mid-Missouri Fisher House

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# NEWSLETTER

Fall 2021

## Fund Campaigns

- We previously shared with you that federal employees and retirees can easily support the Friends of Mid-Missouri Fisher House through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). You can donate in this year's campaign by designating CFC #41929 until Jan. 15, 2022.
- Missouri state employees and retirees can support us through the Missouri State Employees Charitable Campaign, Aug. 25 through Oct. 31. Just look for Code 4088.
- The newest campaign opportunity for community support is our participation in the 2021 CoMoGives campaign in Columbia. This annual online fundraiser, scheduled from Nov. 30 to Dec. 31, supports 148 high-impact nonprofit organizations in Columbia and mid-Missouri. To participate, go to [www.comogives.com](http://www.comogives.com).



## IRA Donations

A frequent question raised by potential donors at this time of year concerns a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) from an Individual Retirement Account (IRA). Starting at age 72, the IRS requires owners to withdraw from their IRA accounts each year. These withdrawals are known as Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs). Failure to withdraw an RMD leads to a fine imposed by the IRS that is equivalent to half of the RMD. Due to this requirement, giving from an IRA has become one of the most tax-efficient ways for individuals to donate to your favorite nonprofit organization. The deadline for QCDs is Dec. 31. Consult your tax advisor on how to proceed.



***"The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional to how they perceive the Veterans of earlier wars were treated and appreciated by their nation." -- President George Washington***

## Recent Events and Activities

- The inaugural Mid-Missouri Veteran's Support Golf Tournament was held at the Country Club of Missouri in Columbia on September 27. Here's a big shout out to our sponsors and participants! Thank you to Veterans United Home Loans, TrueSon Exteriors & Construction, Nevada Shelkey, Central Bank of Boone County, Critter Control, Missouri Heart Center, Bob McCosh Chevrolet Buick GMC Cadillac, Scott Heck ReMax Realty, Elks Lodge #513, L C Betz Associates, Inc., and Rogers Ehrhardt & Weber. We garnered 90 percent of the net proceeds and the Truman VA Voluntary Service received 10 percent. The second annual golf tournament is already scheduled for July 25, 2022.
- For the second year, we partnered with the Heart of America Marathon & Fun Relay on Labor Day. We provided 13 volunteers for the 62<sup>nd</sup> running of this event, the second oldest continuously running marathon in the U.S. This partnership provides us with 15% of the net proceeds and generous donations from marathon participants and supporters.
- SmokeFest 2021, sponsored by Hoghead Cigars & Fine Tobaccos, took place on September 18 in Hermann. We were the gracious recipients of the charitable donations from the event and look forward to participating again next year.
- We set up our informational booth for Military Appreciation Day at the Missouri State Fair on Aug. 15. We made many new friends and contacts.
- Thanks again to Texas Roadhouse restaurants in Columbia and Jefferson City for hosting a fundraiser on August 19 as well as to Chris "Sticky" Hayden for hosting a fundraiser at Sticky's Cabana on October 9.



**We are most appreciative of organizations and individuals who want to host or conduct fundraisers that benefit the Mid-Missouri Fisher House!**



### Memorial Gifts for Long-time Supporter

Richard "Dick" Muzzy was a Marine Corps veteran, a retired elementary school principal, a builder, a wonderful husband, father and grandfather, and an all around great person. In addition, he was a long-time and dedicated supporter of the Fisher House program and the Mid-Missouri Fisher House including building doll houses that we raffled off as a fundraiser. When he passed away in August, his family honored his wishes for any memorial gifts to go to the Mid-Missouri Fisher House. We are humbled by the tremendous outpouring of love and friendship for Dick as evidenced by the number and amount of donations received.

[www.midmofisherhouse.org](http://www.midmofisherhouse.org)

## Newest Fisher House Opens in Kansas City

The newest Fisher House recently opened on the grounds of the VA Medical Center in Kansas City. The 16-suite house is the 92<sup>nd</sup> Fisher House now operating at VA medical centers and military installations. The Fisher House Foundation ([www.fisherhouse.org](http://www.fisherhouse.org)) reports the following numbers:

- \$525 million in lodging and transportation costs for families
- 10 million nights of lodging offered
- 413,000 families served

And coming up...



**“Freedom makes a huge requirement of every human being.  
With freedom comes responsibility.” – Eleanor Roosevelt**



**Would you like to help us build a Fisher House  
here in Columbia?**

**Please visit our website**

**[www.midmofisherhouse.org](http://www.midmofisherhouse.org)**

**to learn more about the Mid-Missouri Fisher  
House and how you can help us.**

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