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ARIZONA VETERANS STANDDOWN ALLIANCE TO HOLD 2024 MARICOPA COUNTY STANDDOWN

PHOENIX, ARIZONA (March 14, 2024) - The Arizona Veterans StandDown Alliance (AVSA), a program of the Arizona Housing Coalition, is set to host its annual Maricopa County StandDown on March 21-22 at the Arizona State Fairgrounds. At least 1,000 U.S. military veterans who are experiencing (or at risk of) homelessness and housing instability in the Phoenix metro area are expected to attend.

The Maricopa County StandDown event is intended to provide resources and services to these veterans, including legal, social security, dental, haircut, employment, housing, medical/vaccination, meal, and pet support. Over 100 service providers will be on-site on Thursday, March 21 and Friday, March 22 to help veterans regain stability and get on a path to housing security and self-sufficiency. In addition to providing veterans with support, the StandDown also aims to increase the community's awareness of the needs of veterans struggling to make ends meet.

Elected officials, dignitaries, and media are invited to visit the StandDown event and receive a personal tour from the leadership team. To make arrangements, please email Jamie Podratz, Public Policy Advocate for the Arizona Housing Coalition, at **jamie@azhousingcoalition.org** or call (602) 340-9393.

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The Arizona Veterans StandDown Alliance (AVSA) is a program of the Arizona Housing Coalition - a 501(c)3 collaborative association leading statewide efforts to end homelessness and advocate for safe, affordable homes. AVSA holds annual events and resource fairs in 13 of Arizona's 15 counties, including the nation's largest event of its kind, the annual Maricopa County StandDown. To learn more about AVSA, visit www.azhousingcoalition.org/avsa.html or call (602) 340-9393.