

Athens Area Stand Down Held Annually the First Friday in October

Connecting our Veterans and those in our area who are experiencing homelessness with needed goods and services.

Dear Athens Area Community,

We are proud to invite you to the 10th Annual, Athens Area Stand Down, Friday, October 3, 2025. The event will be held from 10am - 2pm, at the Athens County Fairgrounds, 286 W. Union Street, Athens, Ohio. *Entry to the event from 10am - 12pm Veterans Only; 12pm - 2pm Veterans and Community Members in need.*

What is the goal of the Athens Area Stand Down? To help combat some of the burdens of homelessness.

Stand Down is a military term that refers to taking a break from being on the battlefield. The Athens Area Stand Down helps connect Veterans and those who are homeless or at risk of homelessness combat their challenges with free goods and community-based services.

While Veterans are welcome for the entirety of the event, exclusive access to good, services, and information will be available from **10am - 12pm for Veterans only**. Proof of military service is required for entry.

All participants will meet with service providers, gain information about a variety of social services, employment, housing, health information and much more. Additionally, free lunch will also be provided.

How can YOU or your organization help?

- ~ Support with a financial donation
- ~ Host a service provider table
- ~ Donate needed items
- ~ Volunteer
- ~ Share AASD flyer or Facebook event

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS: make payable to "Athens Area Stand Down" and mail to: Athens Area Stand Down, Treasurer, Kathy Hecht, 94 Second Street, Athens, OH 45701.

DONATED ITEMS: Please review our suggested supplies list at www.athensareastanddown.org/donate

SERVICE PROVIDERS: providing promotional information for all participants to be included in the pre-packed items; or by registering for the event at: https://s.surveyplanet.com/519shhxq

All donations to the event are tax-deductible within the limits of the law.

Have more questions? Contact: President George McCarthy, 740-593-3591; or via email at judgegeorgemccarthy@gmail.com or visit our webpage at: www.athensareastanddown.org; or visit us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/Athensstanddown

We thank you for your consideration and we look forward to your contribution to the 9th Annual Athens Area Stand Down!

Best regards,

Athens Area Stand Down Planning Committee George McCarthy, President