

# Palmetto Pathfinder NEWSLETTER

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## New Palmetto Pathfinder Program Coordinator



As of September 2nd, 2022, Gabe Trujillo (pictured above) is officially the acting Palmetto Pathfinder Program Coordinator at the South Carolina Department of Veterans' Affairs. He retired from the United States Army in January 2019, after serving for 24 years in the Infantry. He has served at numerous posts in the United States as well as Panama, Afghanistan, Iraq, and the U.S. Embassy in Honduras.

## Another Course Completed!

On August 14th, 2022 the South Carolina Department of Veterans' Affairs officially welcomed twenty-two new Palmetto Pathfinders. We are thrilled to continue to see this program grow, and thank you all for your continued service.

## Upcoming Palmetto Pathfinder Course:

The next Palmetto Pathfinder Training Course will take place from November 4th through the 6th in Myrtle Beach, SC. For any questions regarding availability please reach out to the Palmetto Pathfinder Coordinator.

# New Resources in the SC Veteran Coalition



## SERENITY DOVE HOME CARE, LLC

**Service area: Statewide**

Serenity Dove Home Care, LLC helps individuals remain in the comfort of their home, while receiving care for Injuries, Illnesses, Aging and Disabilities, and Special Needs.



## MILITARY HEARTS MATTER

**Service area: Statewide**

Military Hearts Matter brings Military personnel and their families affected by heart conditions and disease into their community for support, education, and fellowship.



## THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

**Service area: Statewide**



**VA** | Ralph H. Johnson  
VA Medical Center

## RALPH H. JOHNSON VA MEDICAL CENTER

**Service area: Statewide**

## CHARLESTON, SPARTANBURG, AND BERKELEY COUNTY VA OFFICES

**Service area: Respective Counties**



## Pathfinder Highlight of the Month: Jorge Guerrero

In Hampton County, CVAO Sharon Johnson shared that she had a disabled Vietnam Veteran who needed help moving an old trailer across town. It sat on four flats and was in bad shape. Sharon was already working with a local organization to secure replacement tires, but she had no connections to help move the trailer.

Regional Integration Officer Brennan Beck engaged the local Pathfinder network; Jorge Guerrero immediately responded that he would assist. Jorge drove to Hampton County to help lift the trailer, change all four tires, and move the trailer 13 miles across town to the 8x10 aluminum shack that the Veteran had been sleeping in. Now that Veteran has a secure place to call home.